

# Refugees and Others of Concern to UNHCR - 1998 Statistical Overview

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### **Introduction**

The figures presented here are mostly provided by Governments and based on their own records and methods of estimation. In some cases, the statistics are derived from UNHCR-supported census operations. For industrialized countries without accurate refugee population data, UNHCR has estimated the refugee population based on recent refugee arrivals and recognition as well as estimates for temporary protection. The statistics presented here do not cover Palestinian refugees who come under the mandate of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).

For the purpose of these statistics, the 1998 total population of concern to UNHCR has been defined as follows:

- Refugees: persons recognized as refugees under the 1951 United Nations Convention relating to the Status of Refugees or its 1967 Protocol, the 1969 Organization of African Unity (OAU) Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems

in Africa, persons recognized as refugees in accordance with the UNHCR Statute, persons granted humanitarian status and those granted temporary protection.

- Returned refugees or "returnees": refugees who have repatriated voluntarily to their place of origin and who remain of concern to UNHCR for a limited period after their return. For the purpose of these statistics, a cut-off period of two years has been applied.
- Asylum-seekers: persons whose applications for asylum are pending in the asylum procedure or who are otherwise registered as asylum-seekers.
- Certain specific groups of persons not coming within the ordinary mandate of UNHCR, but to whom the Office extends protection and/or assistance pursuant to a special request by a competent organ of the United Nations. This category comprises certain groups of internally displaced, including returned internally displaced, certain groups of war victims, certain nationals of the former Soviet Union whose nationality is undetermined and who have not established a national bond with any of the countries which emerged following the dissolution of the Soviet Union, etc.

In recent years, UNHCR's involvement with persons who have not crossed an international border, such as the internally displaced, refugees who have returned home ("returnees") and persons threatened with displacement by, or otherwise at risk from, armed conflict, has increased substantially. In view of the above, and taking into consideration the rise in the number of persons granted temporary protection and those allowed to remain in countries of asylum on humanitarian grounds, the term "refugee" needs to be qualified by an indication of the group concerned. In this report, terms "refugees and others of concern to UNHCR", "total population of concern to UNHCR", etc. have been used to reflect these various categories.

While efforts have been made to make these statistics as comprehensive as possible, it should be noted that there are populations and movements that are not known to UNHCR because, inter alia, the Office is not directly involved, government records are lacking, etc. For instance, whereas in developing countries repatriation is difficult to verify because most refugees return by their own means, industrialized countries generally lack a refugee register through which increases and, in particular, decreases in the refugee population can be traced

The data presented here have been collected through UNHCR's annual statistical survey among Governments and UNHCR field offices. Statistics on the industrialized countries are generally based directly on Government reports, whereas the figures for developing countries are reported through UNHCR offices. Most data pertaining to the year 1997 were collected during last year's survey, the main results of which were published in the 1997 Statistical Overview.

In the tables, data pertaining to the former Soviet Union have been classified under Russian Federation, data pertaining to the former Czechoslovakia have been classified under Czech Republic and data pertaining to the former Yugoslavia have been classified under the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia has been abbreviated to FYR Macedonia. The Special Administrative Region of Hong Kong, China is referred to as Hong Kong, China. In country names, the word "Democratic" has been shortened to "Dem.", whereas "Republic" has been replaced by "Rep."

The regional classification adopted is that of the Population Division of the Department of

Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat. Most figures are rounded. Consequently, totals may not always add up. In the tables, a dash ("-") indicates that the value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable.

## a. UNHCR assistance

There is a strong correlation between UNHCR's population statistics and its assistance programmes. Indeed, one of the major reasons for the Office to collect, compile and report statistics is to indicate the size and major characteristics of populations who benefit from assistance programmes ("beneficiaries"). Often, the assistance is provided through governmental, intergovernmental or non-governmental "implementing partners".

Assistance is provided to those who cannot meet their own basic needs, and in the absence of other resources. UNHCR distinguishes five types of assistance:

- **emergency assistance**, which includes measures to meet basic needs, usually in case of a new refugee influx. The assistance does not normally exceed a period of twelve months;
- **care and maintenance**, which covers assistance once survival is no longer threatened. It involves meeting basic needs on a more routine basis, pending the identification of durable solutions (that is, voluntary repatriation, local settlement and resettlement). Assistance usually takes the form of providing food, water, household utensils, medical care, shelter, transportation, basic education, vocational training, etc.;
- **voluntary repatriation**, which covers preparations for departure to the country of origin, transportation, etc. In most cases, it also involves activities in the country of origin, including organizing reception facilities and assistance during the initial phase of reintegration;
- **local settlement assistance**, which may be provided to refugees who cannot return home. It aims to promote their self-sufficiency and local integration;
- **resettlement**, which may be offered to refugees who are admitted temporarily to a country of asylum, who cannot return to their home country and who face particular protection problems. UNHCR facilitates permanent settlement in third countries through securing resettlement places, medical screening, arranging for travel and measures to facilitate the integration of the refugee in the country of resettlement.

In this report, the term "UNHCR-assisted" is used to reflect the beneficiaries of these various assistance activities.

## b. Data considerations

### *Quality*

The quality of the data presented here varies greatly. Some statistical information, such as demographic characteristics, may be based on extrapolations resulting from health surveys or visual assessments. In general, however, assisting refugees on a regular basis requires registration at the individual or family level. While such beneficiary statistics are prone to inflation, as they are linked to entitlements, they are also subject to close scrutiny, because they form the basis for the assistance programme. Statistics on refugees who do not receive assistance may be based on the delivery of refugee identity cards, estimates or population

censuses. Statistics on groups who are not assisted by UNHCR are verified and updated to a lesser degree than statistics on the assisted population.

The number of beneficiaries of assistance to entire communities is more difficult to determine. Consequently, statistics on returnees and internally displaced populations who, along with local populations, benefit from community-wide projects (roads, schools, etc.) are generally rough estimates. In addition, given the short period during which assistance is often provided to returnees and internally displaced, their numbers may fluctuate markedly from one year to the next.

### *Source and basis*

In most countries, there is more than one source for statistics, complicating the compilation of statistics at the national level. Thus, in countries where assistance is provided, different sources may exist, with varying degrees of quality, for the refugee figures in camps, in urban areas, and for those living among local populations and those who are not assisted by UNHCR. Likewise, the entity that is *de facto* responsible for refugee registration, and thus the source of statistical information, varies between and within countries, and may be the Government, UNHCR, NGOs or a combination of these. In more developed countries, spontaneously arriving asylum-seekers, resettled refugees and those granted temporary protection are often recorded separately, by different agencies and at different points in time, severely hampering any effort to establish a truly comprehensive picture.

### **c. Some practical problems in counting refugees**

In addition to the factors mentioned above, counting refugees poses a challenge in the following situations:

- in emergency situations, it is often not possible to provide a reliable estimate, owing to the ongoing nature of the influx;
- in large-scale refugee situations, camp populations are often "fluid", that is they move in and out of camps, often without notifying UNHCR or the local authorities. "Closed" camps, where the movement of residents is subject to control, are an exception;
- only a few of the industrialized countries maintain a refugee register recording the increases and decreases in the refugee population. Thus, the available information is usually limited to the inflow of refugees and asylum-seekers and to individual refugee status determination. Information on decreases in the refugee population, including naturalization, spontaneous departures, emigration and cessation of refugee status, is usually not available;
- as increases in the refugee population are better recorded than decreases, there is a tendency, both in more developed countries and in countries where refugees are assisted by UNHCR, to over-estimate refugee numbers;
- statistics can become quickly outdated as a result of sudden new arrivals or departures;
- significant forced displacements may go un- or underreported. Thus, in a number of instances, UNHCR is unable to establish or verify the total refugee population in the country, but can only collect information on those refugees with whom the Office has come into contact.

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### Chapter I. Total population of concern to UNHCR

From the end of 1997 to the end of 1998, the total indicative **total population of concern to UNHCR** fell from 22.4 million to 21.5 million, a decrease of some 4 per cent (see box below). Whereas Africa experienced a significant decline (-15 per cent), the total population of concern in other regions remained fairly stable.

a. End 1997							
Region of asylum/residence	Refugees	Asylum-seekers	Returned refugees	Others of concern			Total population of concern
				IDIs	Ret. IDIs	Various	
Africa	3,481,700	37,700	2,149,700	1,644,000	22,000	50,000	7,385,100
Asia	4,730,300	15,000	582,100	1,690,300	142,000	198,800	7,458,500
Europe	2,940,700	267,400	208,400	1,255,700	251,000	1,155,300	6,056,500
Latin America and Car.	83,200	600	14,800	1,700	3,000	-	103,300
Northern America	668,500	626,400	-	-	-	-	1,294,900
Oceania	71,100	6,900	-	-	-	-	78,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,975,500</b>	<b>954,000</b>	<b>3,055,000</b>	<b>4,562,700</b>	<b>418,000</b>	<b>1,404,100</b>	<b>22,376,300</b>
b. End 1998							
Region of asylum/residence	Refugees	Asylum-seekers	Returned refugees	Others of concern			Total population of concern
				IDIs	Ret. IDIs	Various	
Africa	3,270,860	63,350	1,296,770	1,592,200	1,100	60,670	6,284,950
Asia	4,744,130	27,610	317,180	2,037,100	180,400	167,720	7,474,740
Europe	2,667,830	576,970	285,500	1,305,300	266,600	1,109,420	6,212,620
Latin America and Car.	74,180	360	7,860	-	-	20,000	102,400
Northern America	659,200	645,600	-	-	-	-	1,304,800
Oceania	74,310	5,200	-	-	-	-	79,510
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,491,710</b>	<b>1,319,090</b>	<b>1,907,310</b>	<b>4,935,600</b>	<b>448,100</b>	<b>1,357,810</b>	<b>21,459,620</b>
c. Changes 1997-1998 (%)							
Region of asylum/residence	Refugees	Asylum-seekers	Returned refugees	Others of concern			Total population of concern
				IDIs	Ret. IDIs	Various	
Africa	-6.1	68.0	-39.7	-3.2	-95.0	213	-14.9
Asia	0.3	84.1	-33.5	20.5	17.0	-156	0.2
Europe	-9.3	115.8	37.0	5.9	6.2	-40	2.6
Latin America and Car.	-10.8	-40.0	-46.9	-100.0	-100.0	0.0	-0.9
Northern America	-1.5	5.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Oceania	4.5	-24.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>-4.0</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>-37.6</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>-3.3</b>	<b>-4.1</b>

The **global refugee population** estimated by UNHCR also fell by some 4 per cent during 1998. The largest decline was recorded in Latin America and the Caribbean (-11 per cent), followed by Europe (-9 per cent) and Africa (-6 per cent).

The estimated **asylum-seeker population** rose by some 38 per cent during 1998. This increase is mainly the result of significantly higher estimate for Germany; whereas the 1997 asylum-seeker estimate for Germany (34,900) was based on the number of pending cases in first instance, the

current estimate (370,000) reflects the number of asylum-seekers whose applications are pending in all instances.

During 1998, some 986,000 refugees repatriated voluntarily, seven per cent more than during 1997 (921,000). The **returnee population** of concern to UNHCR, defined as those refugees who returned during 1997 and 1998, reached 1.9 million persons by the end of 1998, a decline of 38 per cent compared to the returnee population of concern to UNHCR at the end of 1997 (3,055,000).

The indicative number of **others of concern** to UNHCR increased from 6,391,800 at the end of 1997 to 6,741,500 at the end of 1998, a rise of almost 6 per cent. This increase was largely caused by a change in the estimate for internally displaced persons in Sri Lanka, from 200,000 in 1997 to 600,000 in 1998.

By the end of 1998, Asia hosted the largest number of refugees (41 per cent), followed by Africa (28 per cent), Europe (23 per cent), North America (6 per cent), Latin America and the Caribbean and Oceania (each 1 per cent). Asia hosts 35 per cent of the total population of concern to UNHCR, Africa and Europe host each 29 per cent, whereas North America accounts for 6 per cent. Latin America and the Caribbean and Oceania each host less than one per cent of the total population of concern to UNHCR.

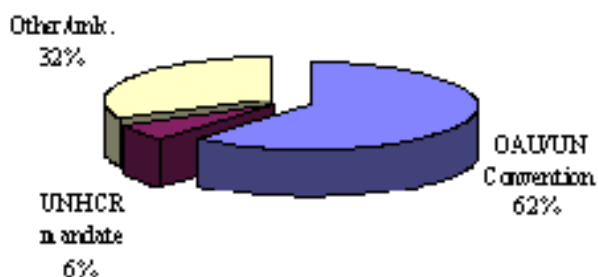
In Table I.2, the **origin** of refugees is listed for those countries of asylum for which data were available. By the end of 1998, Afghans were the largest refugee population, numbering some 2.6 million persons. It should be noted, however, that information on the origin of refugee population is not available for a number of countries, particularly those in Europe and North America (see [Chapter VI](#) for information on the origin of asylum applicants and persons granted refugee or humanitarian status in Europe).

Main origin of refugees, 1998 (*)			
Origin	Total	Origin	Total
Afghanistan	2,633,900	Angola	315,900
Iraq	590,000	Viet Nam	315,700
Burundi	500,000	Liberia	258,700
Somalia	480,800	Armenia	190,200
Bosnia and Herzegovina	471,600	Western Sahara	189,000
Sierra Leone	411,000	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	152,400
Sudan	374,200	Myanmar	129,600
Eritrea	345,400	Ethiopia	105,700
Croatia	334,600	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	100,200
Azerbaijan	328,500	China	99,400

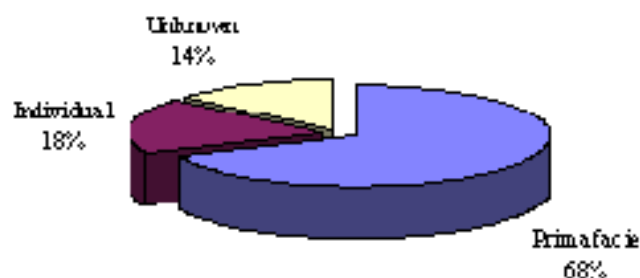
Note  
 (\*) The origin of refugee population is not available for a number of, mostly industrialised, countries.

As part of the 1998 Annual Statistical Report, UNHCR offices were requested to report on the **legal status** and **type of recognition** of the refugee population in the country of their responsibility, the results of which have been summarized in Table I.3. It is estimated that some 6 out of 10 refugees in the world are protected under the 1951 Convention, its 1967 Protocol or the 1969 OAU Convention governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems in Africa. As regards the type of recognition, it is estimated that some two-thirds of the refugee population has been granted refugee status on a group or *prima facie* basis, that is, without having undergone detailed individual screening (see box below).

**Legal status**



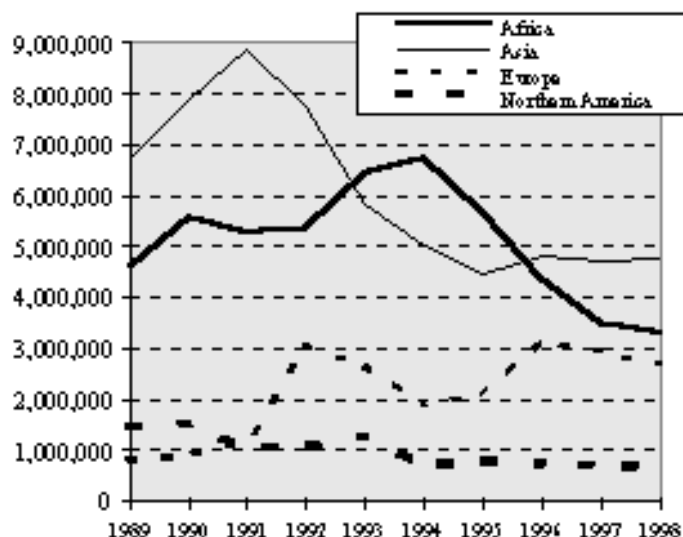
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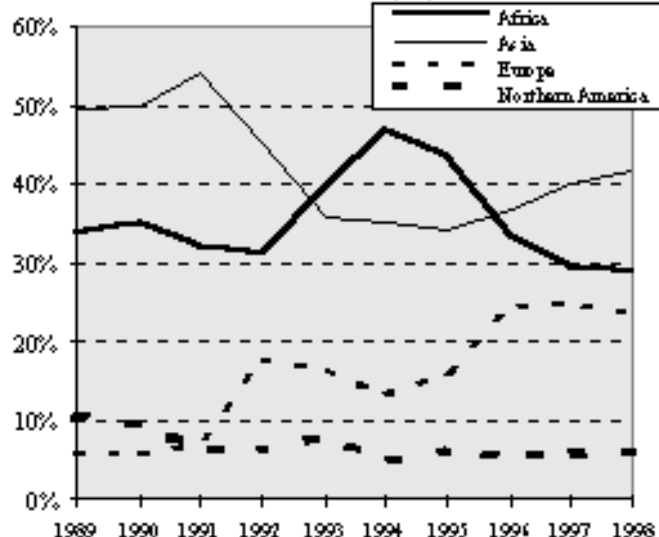
Trends in the *global refugee population during 1989-1998* indicate that the estimated refugee population in 1998 (11.5 million) was the lowest of the past ten years (see [Table IV.4](#)). In 1992, the global refugee population peaked, when some 18.2 million refugees were recorded.

Except for the period 1993-1995, Asia hosted the largest refugee population over the past ten years. Whereas both Asia and Africa have shown a general decline in the refugee population, the number of refugees in Europe has risen steadily up to 1996. During 1997 and 1998, the refugee population in Africa was only half a million higher than the estimated number of refugees in Europe (see box below).

**Refugee population by main region 1989-1998**



**Refugee population by main region 1989-1998 (%)**



[Table I.1](#)

Indicative number of refugees and others of concern to UNHCR, 1998

[Table I.2](#)

Refugee population by country of asylum and origin, 1997-1998

[Table I.3](#)

Refugee population by legal status and type of recognition, 1998 (%)

[Table I.4](#)

Indicative number of refugees, 1989-1998



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Table I.1. Indicative number of refugees and others of concern to UNHCR, 1998

Region and country/territory of asylum/residence	Refugees (1)	Asylum-seekers (2)	Returned refugees (3)	Others of concern (4)			Total population of concern
				Internally displaced	Returned IDPs	Various	
Burundi	25,100	250	114,600	100,000	-	10,600	250,550
Djibouti	23,600	290	-	-	-	-	23,890
Eritrea	2,500	-	1,600	-	-	-	4,100
Ethiopia	262,000	130	22,800	-	-	-	284,930
Kenya	238,200	6,400	20	-	-	-	244,620
Malawi	440	570	-	-	-	-	1,010
Mozambique	50	720	70	-	-	-	840
Rwanda	33,400	810	231,800	625,000	1,100	-	892,110
Somalia	340	-	103,300	1,600	-	50,000	155,240
Uganda	204,500	130	2,300	-	-	-	206,930
United Rep. of Tanzania	543,900	14,100	-	-	-	-	558,000
Zambia	168,600	1,200	-	-	-	-	169,800
Zimbabwe	820	170	-	-	-	-	990
<b>Eastern Africa</b>	<b>1,503,450</b>	<b>24,770</b>	<b>476,490</b>	<b>726,600</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>60,600</b>	<b>2,793,010</b>
Angola	10,600	70	75,800	-	-	-	86,470
Cameroon	47,700	4,300	10	-	-	-	52,010
Central African Rep.	43,000	6,000	-	-	-	-	49,000
Chad	8,800	260	3,000	-	-	-	12,060
Congo	26,400	450	19,600	-	-	-	46,450
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	240,300	120	111,300	-	-	-	351,720
Gabon	1,100	570	-	-	-	-	1,670
<b>Middle Africa</b>	<b>377,900</b>	<b>11,770</b>	<b>209,710</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>599,380</b>
Algeria	165,200	60	-	-	-	70	165,330
Egypt	6,300	2,200	-	-	-	-	8,500
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	10,600	220	-	-	-	-	10,820
Morocco	330	60	-	-	-	-	390
Sudan	391,500	80	63,400	-	-	-	454,980
Tunisia	530	30	-	-	-	-	560
<b>Northern Africa</b>	<b>574,460</b>	<b>2,650</b>	<b>63,400</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>640,580</b>
Botswana	2,100	-	-	-	-	-	2,100
Namibia	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	3,500
South Africa	8,400	20,200	70	-	-	-	28,670
Swaziland	590	30	-	-	-	-	620
<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>14,590</b>	<b>20,230</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>34,890</b>
Benin	2,900	1,200	-	-	-	-	4,100
Burkina Faso	560	280	-	-	-	-	840
Côte d'Ivoire	119,900	460	-	-	-	-	120,360
Gambia	10,300	-	-	-	-	-	10,300
Ghana	14,600	-	1,100	-	-	-	15,700
Guinea	413,700	-	-	-	-	-	413,700
Guinea-Bissau	6,600	-	-	195,600	-	-	202,200
Liberia	103,100	20	251,400	-	-	-	354,520
Mali	11,600	550	61,400	-	-	-	73,550

Mauritania	23,100	-	17,700	-	-	-	40,800
Niger	3,700	90	4,200	-	-	-	7,990
Nigeria	7,900	-	-	-	-	-	7,900
Senegal	60,800	1,000	-	-	-	-	61,800
Sierra Leone	9,900	-	198,400	670,000	-	-	878,300
Togo	11,800	330	12,900	-	-	-	25,030
<b>Western Africa</b>	<b>800,460</b>	<b>3,930</b>	<b>547,100</b>	<b>865,600</b>	-	-	<b>2,217,090</b>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>3,270,860</b>	<b>63,350</b>	<b>1,296,770</b>	<b>1,592,200</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>60,670</b>	<b>6,284,950</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum/residence	Refugees (1)	Asylum-seekers (2)	Returned refugees (3)	Others of concern (4)			Total population of concern
				Internally displaced	Returned IDPs	Various	
China	292,300	-	-	-	-	-	292,300
Hong Kong, China	1,000	20	-	-	-	-	1,020
Japan (*)	1,900	120	-	-	-	-	2,020
Rep. of Korea	-	20	-	-	-	-	20
<b>Eastern Asia</b>	<b>295,200</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>295,360</b>
Afghanistan	-	-	193,700	315,800	27,900	-	537,400
Bangladesh	22,300	20	29,900	-	-	-	52,220
India	185,500	10	-	-	-	-	185,510
Islamic Rep. of Iran	1,931,300	-	-	-	-	-	1,931,300
Kazakhstan	8,300	430	25,500	-	-	-	34,230
Kyrgyzstan	14,600	260	1,200	-	-	-	16,060
Nepal	126,100	50	-	-	-	-	126,150
Pakistan	1,202,500	170	-	-	-	-	1,202,670
Sri Lanka	30	20	110	603,000	114,600	-	717,760
Tajikistan	3,600	1,800	16,100	-	-	-	21,500
Turkmenistan	14,600	200	-	-	-	20	14,820
Uzbekistan	1,100	2,700	20	-	-	-	3,820
<b>South-central Asia</b>	<b>3,509,930</b>	<b>5,660</b>	<b>266,530</b>	<b>918,800</b>	<b>142,500</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4,843,440</b>
Cambodia	20	210	10,600	-	37,900	-	48,730
Indonesia	50	60	-	-	-	-	110
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	-	-	540	-	-	-	540
Malaysia	50,600	570	-	-	-	-	51,170
Myanmar	-	-	10,200	-	-	-	10,200
Philippines	310	50	-	-	-	-	360
Singapore	10	10	-	-	-	-	20
Thailand	138,300	830	-	-	-	1,200	140,330
Viet Nam (a)	15,000	-	5,000	-	-	-	20,000
<b>South-eastern Asia</b>	<b>204,290</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>26,340</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>37,900</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>271,460</b>
Armenia	310,000	-	10	-	-	-	310,010
Azerbaijan	221,600	290	-	576,300	-	-	798,190
Cyprus	80	130	-	265,000	-	-	265,210
Georgia	20	-	-	277,000	-	-	277,020
Iraq	104,100	1,600	22,500	-	-	-	128,200
Jordan	780	4,100	-	-	-	-	4,880
Kuwait	4,200	160	-	-	-	138,000	142,360
Lebanon	3,700	2,200	-	-	-	-	5,900
Saudi Arabia	5,500	30	-	-	-	-	5,530
Syrian Arab Rep.	20,900	6,400	-	-	-	-	27,300
Turkey	2,500	3,600	1,800	-	-	-	7,900

United Arab Emirates	530	150	-	-	-	-	680
Yemen	61,400	1,400	-	-	-	28,500	91,300
<b>Western Asia</b>	<b>735,310</b>	<b>20,060</b>	<b>24,310</b>	<b>1,118,300</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>166,500</b>	<b>2,064,480</b>
<b>Asia</b>	<b>4,744,730</b>	<b>27,610</b>	<b>317,180</b>	<b>2,037,100</b>	<b>180,400</b>	<b>167,720</b>	<b>7,474,740</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum/residence	Refugees (1)	Asylum-seekers (2)	Returned refugees (3)	Others of concern (4)			Total population of concern
				Internally displaced	Returned IDPs	Various	
Belarus	80	16,400	-	-	-	160,000	176,480
Bulgaria	240	1,800	-	-	-	-	2,040
Czech Rep.	1,800	1,900	-	-	-	3,700	7,400
Hungary (*)	5,400	2,600	-	-	-	-	8,000
Poland	900	1,300	-	-	-	-	2,200
Rep. of Moldova	-	150	-	1,300	-	-	1,450
Romania	990	470	-	-	-	-	1,460
Russian Federation	128,600	11,300	100	171,900	26,000	827,600	1,165,500
Slovakia	420	200	-	-	-	-	620
Ukraine	6,100	210	-	-	-	105,700	112,010
<b>Eastern Europe</b>	<b>144,530</b>	<b>36,330</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>173,200</b>	<b>26,000</b>	<b>1,097,000</b>	<b>1,477,160</b>
Denmark (*)	70,000	-	-	-	-	-	70,000
Estonia	-	20	-	-	-	-	20
Finland (*)	12,300	1,400	-	-	-	-	13,700
Iceland	290	-	-	-	-	-	290
Ireland (*)	600	8,400	-	-	-	-	9,000
Latvia	-	20	-	-	-	-	20
Lithuania	30	90	-	-	-	-	120
Norway (*)	45,300	-	-	-	-	-	45,300
Sweden (*)	178,800	-	-	-	-	-	178,800
United Kingdom (*) (5)	116,100	81,000	-	-	-	-	197,100
<b>Northern Europe</b>	<b>423,420</b>	<b>90,930</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>514,350</b>
Albania	22,300	-	-	-	-	-	22,300
Bosnia and Herzegovina	40,000	-	242,400	836,400	87,900	-	1,206,700
Croatia	29,000	-	41,100	71,700	42,700	320	184,820
FYR Macedonia	1,700	-	-	-	-	-	1,700
Greece	5,900	-	-	-	-	-	5,900
Italy	68,300	-	-	-	-	-	68,300
Malta	640	-	-	-	-	-	640
Portugal (*)	340	-	-	-	-	-	340
Slovenia	3,500	330	-	-	-	12,100	15,930
Spain (*)	6,000	-	-	-	-	-	6,000
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	502,000	6,000	1,900	225,000	110,000	-	844,900
<b>Southern Europe</b>	<b>679,680</b>	<b>6,330</b>	<b>285,400</b>	<b>1,133,100</b>	<b>240,600</b>	<b>12,420</b>	<b>2,357,530</b>
Austria	80,300	5,500	-	-	-	-	85,800
Belgium	36,100	23,100	-	-	-	-	59,200
France	140,200	-	-	-	-	-	140,200
Germany (6)	949,200	370,000	-	-	-	-	1,319,200
Liechtenstein	-	10	-	-	-	-	10
Luxembourg	700	-	-	-	-	-	700
Netherlands (*)	131,800	-	-	-	-	-	131,800
Switzerland	81,900	44,700	-	-	-	-	126,600
<b>Western Europe</b>	<b>1,420,200</b>	<b>443,310</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,863,510</b>



Oceania	74,310	5,200	-	-	-	-	79,510
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Region and country/territory of asylum/residence	Refugees (1)	Asylum-seekers (2)	Returned refugees (3)	Others of concern (4)			Total population of concern
				Internally displaced	Returned IDPs	Various	
<b>Total</b>	11,491,710	1,319,020	1,907,310	4,935,600	448,100	1,357,810	21,459,550

## Notes

All numbers are rounded to the nearest 10 (below 1,000) or 100 (1,000 and above).

A dash ("-") indicates that the value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable.

(1) Refugees: persons recognized as refugees under the 1951 Convention, the 1969 OAU Convention, in accordance with the UNHCR Statute, persons granted a humanitarian status and those granted temporary protection.

(2) Asylum-seekers: persons whose application for refugee status is pending in the asylum procedure or who are otherwise registered as asylum-seekers (see also [Chapter IV](#)). In a number of countries, the number of asylum-seekers ("pending cases") is an underestimate, due to the fact that the number is not or only partially available.

(3) Returned refugees: refugees who have returned to their place of origin and who remain of concern to UNHCR for a maximum period of two years (see also [Chapter II](#)).

(4) Others of concern: certain specific group of persons not coming within the ordinary mandate of UNHCR.

- Internally displaced persons (IDPs): persons who are displaced within their country and to whom UNHCR extends protection and/or assistance in pursuance to a special request by a competent organ of the United Nations.

- Returned IDPs: IDPs of concern to UNHCR who have returned to their place of origin and who remain of concern to UNHCR for a maximum period of two years.

(5) Asylum-seekers: the number of pending applications in first instance (64,770) multiplied by the average number of persons per case (1.25).

(6) Asylum-seekers: cases pending in all instances (source: Central Aliens Register).

(7) Asylum-seekers: number of pending cases in first instance (360,700) and in review (68,500) multiplied by the average number of persons per case (1.45).

(a) The returned refugees also include returned rejected asylum-seekers.

(\*) Number of refugees estimated by UNHCR, based on the arrival of refugees and/or recognition of asylum-seekers over the past 10 years (see also [Chapter V](#))

(\*\*) Number of refugees estimated by UNHCR, based on the arrival of refugees and/or recognition of asylum-seekers over the past 5 years (see also [Chapter V](#)).

**Source:** Governments, UNHCR.

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**Table I.2. Refugee population by country of asylum and origin, 1997-1998**

Country/territory of asylum	Origin	Refugee population end-1997		Refugee population end-1998	
		Total	<i>of which: UNHCR-assisted</i>	Total	<i>of which: UNHCR-assisted</i>
Albania	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	-	-	22,300	22,300
Algeria	Mali	3,200	3,200	150	-
Algeria	Niger	2,500	2,500	-	-
Algeria	Western Sahara	165,000	80,000	165,000	80,000
Angola	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	9,300	9,300	10,400	10,400
Armenia	Azerbaijan	200,000	150,000	310,000	150,000
Austria	Bosnia and Herzegovina	69,900	-	66,700	-
Azerbaijan	Armenia	198,000	8,500	188,400	8,500
Azerbaijan	Uzbekistan	35,700	1,500	33,200	1,500
Bangladesh	Myanmar	21,500	21,500	22,200	22,200
Belgium (1)	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	2,200	-	2,200	-
Belgium (1)	Hungary	1,300	-	1,300	-
Belgium (1)	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	1,600	-	1,600	-
Belgium (1)	Poland	4,500	-	4,500	-
Belgium (1)	Russian Federation	1,000	-	1,000	-
Belgium (1)	Rwanda	1,000	-	1,000	-
Belgium (1)	Turkey	4,900	-	4,900	-
Belgium (1)	Viet Nam	3,100	-	3,100	-
Belgium (1)	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	1,800	-	1,800	-
Belize	El Salvador	5,700	5,700	2,300	2,300
Belize	Guatemala	2,100	2,100	860	860
Benin	Togo	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	40,000	-	30,000	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	-	-	10,000	1,600
Botswana	Namibia	-	-	1,900	1,900
Brazil	Angola	1,300	130	1,300	870
Burundi	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	20,000	240	23,100	3,200
Burundi	Rwanda	2,000	360	2,000	30
Cameroon	Chad	44,100	3,100	44,600	3,500
Cameroon	Rwanda	1,200	1,200	1,300	1,300
Central African Rep.	Chad	3,900	3,300	7,500	7,500
Central African Rep.	Rwanda	1,400	1,300	440	440
Central African Rep.	Sudan	32,500	32,200	34,000	34,000
Chad	Sudan	190	190	8,700	8,600
China	Viet Nam	290,600	290,600	292,300	292,300
Congo	Angola	20,600	5,900	20,000	5,900
Congo	Rwanda	10	10	5,200	5,200

Costa Rica	El Salvador	4,000	40	3,900	40
Costa Rica	Nicaragua	17,800	100	17,700	100
Côte d'Ivoire	Liberia	207,000	157,100	117,700	117,700
Côte d'Ivoire	Sierra Leone	1,100	1,100	1,500	1,500
Croatia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	68,300	68,300	28,700	-
Cuba	Western Sahara	1,100	1,000	960	880
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Angola	87,700	47,000	137,000	74,200
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Burundi	47,000	6,000	20,000	1,100
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Congo	20,200	20,200	15,000	10,600
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Rwanda	37,000	2,900	35,000	500
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Sudan	61,200	61,200	31,200	22,000
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Uganda	44,300	44,300	2,000	1,500
Djibouti	Ethiopia	2,000	1,100	1,900	1,100
Djibouti	Somalia	21,500	20,400	21,600	20,400
Egypt	Somalia	3,500	3,500	3,100	3,100
Egypt	Sudan	1,600	1,600	1,900	1,900
Eritrea	Somalia	2,500	2,500	2,300	2,300
Ethiopia	Djibouti	8,000	8,000	3,000	3,000
Ethiopia	Kenya	8,700	8,700	4,800	4,800
Ethiopia	Somalia	249,200	249,200	195,400	195,400
Ethiopia	Sudan	56,900	56,900	58,600	58,600
France	Afghanistan	1,200	-	1,200	-
France	Angola	1,600	-	1,600	-
France	Cambodia	22,800	-	21,400	-
France	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	5,400	-	5,200	-
France	Haiti	2,000	-	1,700	-
France	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	3,100	-	2,800	-
France	Iraq	1,400	-	1,500	-
France	Lao People's Dem. Rep.	13,700	-	12,700	-
France	Mauritania	1,400	-	1,500	-
France	Romania	1,900	-	1,200	-
France	Russian Federation	1,200	-	1,200	-
France	Sri Lanka	16,000	-	15,900	-
France	Turkey	12,300	-	11,900	-
France	Viet Nam	17,900	-	15,700	-
France	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	5,400	-	5,600	-
FYR Macedonia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	3,500	2,300	800	500
Gambia	Guinea-Bissau	-	-	1,200	110
Gambia	Senegal	1,700	760	3,600	650
Gambia	Sierra Leone	5,400	660	5,400	1,500
Germany	Bosnia and Herzegovina	245,000	-	100,000	-
Ghana	Liberia	17,100	17,100	12,600	12,600
Ghana	Togo	5,000	5,000	1,100	1,100
Greece	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	-	-	1,200	-
Greece	Iraq	-	-	2,600	-
Greece	Turkey	-	-	1,500	-
Guatemala	Nicaragua	1,000	1,000	590	590
Guinea	Guinea-Bissau	-	-	2,100	2,100

Guinea	Liberia	243,000	242,000	114,300	114,300
Guinea	Sierra Leone	192,200	180,200	297,200	297,200
Guinea-Bissau	Senegal	15,300	750	5,900	670
Hong Kong, China	Viet Nam	1,200	1,200	1,000	1,000
India	Afghanistan	17,500	17,500	16,100	16,100
India	Bangladesh	40,100	-	-	-
India	China	98,000	-	98,000	-
India	Sri Lanka	66,500	-	70,300	-
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Afghanistan	1,411,800	1,411,800	1,400,700	1,400,700
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Iraq	570,800	570,800	530,600	530,600
Iraq	Palestinians	62,600	2,000	62,600	370
Iraq	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	29,400	29,400	29,100	29,000
Iraq	Turkey	10,900	10,900	11,300	11,300
Italy	Bosnia and Herzegovina	8,900	-	8,000	-
Italy	Croatia	8,800	-	7,900	-
Italy	FYR Macedonia	11,000	-	10,000	-
Italy	Somalia	10,000	-	10,000	-
Italy	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	22,500	-	20,300	-
Kazakhstan	Afghanistan	1,600	240	2,100	520
Kazakhstan	Tajikistan	440	430	5,600	450
Kenya	Ethiopia	8,600	5,900	8,100	4,500
Kenya	Rwanda	5,800	320	8,700	320
Kenya	Somalia	174,100	134,100	164,700	122,900
Kenya	Sudan	37,400	37,400	48,200	48,000
Kenya	Uganda	5,500	460	6,000	450
Kuwait	Palestinians	2,000	390	2,100	490
Kuwait	Iraq	1,600	420	1,700	480
Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan	15,100	6,000	14,000	6,000
Lebanon	Iraq	1,900	1,900	2,300	2,300
Liberia	Sierra Leone	126,800	25,000	103,000	38,900
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Palestinians	5,800	400	7,300	610
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Somalia	2,500	1,000	3,000	1,000
Malaysia	Myanmar	5,100	-	5,100	-
Malaysia	Philippines	-	-	45,100	-
Mali	Mauritania	11,100	5,700	11,000	11,500
Mauritania	Western Sahara	-	-	23,100	-
Mexico	El Salvador	1,300	650	1,300	420
Mexico	Guatemala	30,100	28,100	26,600	24,500
Namibia	Angola	2,200	1,900	2,500	2,500
Nepal	Bhutan	108,700	93,700	105,700	95,700
Nepal	Tibetans	20,500	470	20,400	430
Niger	Mali	7,100	7,100	3,300	-
Nigeria	Cameroon	1,300	30	1,300	30
Nigeria	Chad	1,500	30	1,600	30
Nigeria	Liberia	4,900	4,700	2,600	2,600
Nigeria	Sierra Leone	770	770	1,800	1,800
Pakistan	Afghanistan	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
Pakistan	Iraq	1,100	1,100	920	920



Papua New Guinea	Indonesia	8,200	3,700	8,200	3,700
Russian Federation	Armenia	2,500	-	1,100	-
Russian Federation	Azerbaijan	33,800	-	18,300	-
Russian Federation	Georgia	46,200	9,900	34,300	7,400
Russian Federation	Kazakhstan	40,200	-	19,600	-
Russian Federation	Kyrgyzstan	16,300	-	7,400	-
Russian Federation	Latvia	1,600	-	750	-
Russian Federation	Rep. of Moldova	4,500	-	2,200	-
Russian Federation	Somalia	2,700	250	150	150
Russian Federation	Tajikistan	50,200	-	23,000	-
Russian Federation	Turkmenistan	3,100	-	1,500	-
Russian Federation	Ukraine	2,300	-	1,400	-
Russian Federation	Uzbekistan	33,000	-	18,100	-
Rwanda	Burundi	6,900	2,300	1,400	1,400
Rwanda	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	27,100	26,600	32,000	32,000
Saudi Arabia	Iraq	5,700	5,700	5,400	5,400
Senegal	Guinea-Bissau	-	-	4,700	760
Senegal	Mauritania	56,200	56,200	55,100	55,100
Sierra Leone	Liberia	13,000	-	9,900	9,900
Slovenia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	4,600	4,600	3,500	3,500
South Africa	Angola	2,300	-	2,500	-
South Africa	Somalia	3,600	-	3,900	-
Sudan	Chad	4,400	-	4,400	-
Sudan	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	1,000	1,000	330	330
Sudan	Eritrea	315,000	119,800	342,300	147,300
Sudan	Ethiopia	44,300	14,800	35,600	11,900
Sweden	Afghanistan	1,300	-	1,400	-
Sweden	Bosnia and Herzegovina	51,300	-	52,200	-
Sweden	Bulgaria	1,300	-	1,300	-
Sweden	Chile	6,000	-	6,000	-
Sweden	El Salvador	1,200	-	1,200	-
Sweden	Ethiopia	4,900	-	5,000	-
Sweden	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	14,200	-	15,200	-
Sweden	Iraq	20,400	-	23,000	-
Sweden	Lebanon	5,000	-	5,100	-
Sweden	Peru	1,300	-	1,500	-
Sweden	Romania	1,800	-	1,800	-
Sweden	Russian Federation	2,000	-	2,000	-
Sweden	Somalia	7,500	-	7,600	-
Sweden	Syrian Arab Rep.	2,900	-	3,000	-
Sweden	Turkey	3,000	-	3,100	-
Sweden	Viet Nam	3,100	-	3,100	-
Sweden	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	27,300	-	29,400	-
Switzerland	Bosnia and Herzegovina	-	-	8,700	-
Switzerland	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	-	-	9,000	-
Syrian Arab Rep.	Iraq	21,100	1,100	19,400	2,000
Tajikistan	Afghanistan	2,200	330	3,600	420
Thailand	Cambodia	62,200	62,200	36,100	36,100

Thailand	Lao People's Dem. Rep.	1,300	1,300	200	200
Thailand	Myanmar	105,200	2,100	101,700	101,700
Togo	Ghana	12,300	12,300	11,200	11,200
Turkmenistan	Afghanistan	5,500	750	1,100	1,100
Turkmenistan	Tajikistan	10,000	160	13,500	13,500
Uganda	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	14,200	14,200	5,400	5,400
Uganda	Rwanda	12,200	12,200	7,500	7,500
Uganda	Somalia	1,600	1,600	1,800	1,800
Uganda	Sudan	160,400	160,400	189,800	169,800
Ukraine	Afghanistan	3,000	170	3,800	280
United Rep. of Tanzania	Burundi	459,400	259,400	473,800	273,800
United Rep. of Tanzania	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	74,300	74,300	58,300	58,300
United Rep. of Tanzania	Mozambique	33,200	-	-	-
United Rep. of Tanzania	Rwanda	410	410	4,800	4,800
United Rep. of Tanzania	Somalia	3,000	3,000	4,200	4,200
Uzbekistan	Afghanistan	3,100	3,100	1,100	1,100
Viet Nam	Cambodia	15,000	-	15,000	-
Yemen	Eritrea	-	-	2,500	30
Yemen	Ethiopia	910	20	1,300	1,300
Yemen	Somalia	37,400	8,700	57,400	57,400
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Bosnia and Herzegovina	241,400	241,400	200,900	200,900
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Croatia	293,200	293,200	296,600	296,600
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	FYR Macedonia	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Slovenia	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200
Zambia	Angola	147,200	26,800	149,800	29,300
Zambia	Burundi	1,700	1,400	1,500	1,100
Zambia	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	13,000	6,900	12,200	5,900
Zambia	Rwanda	2,100	1,800	4,000	3,700

#### Notes

Populations of 1,000 and over only.

The origin of refugee population is not available for a number of, mostly industrialized, countries.

(1) 1995 estimates.

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Table I.3. Refugee population by legal status and type of recognition, 1998 (%)

Region and country/territory of asylum	Legal status			Type of recognition			Total refugee population (abs.)
	1951 UN/1969 OAU Convention	UNHCR Mandate	Other/unknown (1)	Prima facie	Individually recognized	Not available/unknown	
Burundi	100.0	0.0	-	12.4	87.6	-	25,110
Djibouti	90.6	0.5	8.9	90.6	0.5	8.9	23,610
Eritrea	-	-	100.0	93.5	6.5	-	2,500
Ethiopia	100.0	-	-	99.9	0.1	-	262,000
Kenya	5.3	94.7	-	70.6	29.4	-	238,100
Malawi	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	440
Mozambique	83.3	16.7	-	-	100.0	-	60
Rwanda	97.7	0.1	2.2	96.2	4.2	(0.4)	33,380
Somalia	100.0	-	-	90.9	9.1	-	330
Uganda	99.1	0.9	-	89.2	1.0	9.8	204,600
United Rep. of Tanzania	63.2	-	36.8	61.1	2.2	36.8	543,900
Zambia	100.0	0.0	-	91.0	9.0	-	168,610
Zimbabwe	98.8	1.2	-	-	100.0	-	830
<b>Eastern Africa</b>	<b>71.2</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>1,503,470</b>
Angola	98.5	-	1.5	98.0	2.0	-	10,660
Cameroon	87.0	9.0	4.0	-	-	100.0	47,700
Central African Rep.	100.0	-	-	-	-	100.0	43,000
Chad	100.0	-	-	96.5	3.5	-	8,800
Congo	24.2	-	75.8	20.0	3.6	76.3	26,400
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	100.0	-	-	99.9	0.1	-	240,300
Gabon	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	1,100
<b>Middle Africa</b>	<b>93.0</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>29.3</b>	<b>377,960</b>
Algeria	100.0	-	-	100.0	0.0	-	165,200
Egypt	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	6,300
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	-	100.0	-	99.0	1.0	-	10,600
Morocco	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	330
Sudan	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	-	391,500
Tunisia	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	530
<b>Northern Africa</b>	<b>96.9</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>98.7</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>574,460</b>
Botswana	-	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	2,100
Namibia	-	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	3,500
South Africa	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	8,400
Swaziland	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	590
<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>14,590</b>
Benin	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	2,900
Burkina Faso	98.2	1.8	-	-	100.0	-	570
Côte d'Ivoire	99.9	0.1	-	99.4	0.6	-	119,870

Gambia	100.0	-	-	99.8	0.2	-	10,300
Ghana	99.1	0.3	0.6	95.0	5.0	-	14,530
Guinea	100.0	-	0.0	100.0	0.0	-	413,720
Guinea-Bissau	100.0	-	-	89.7	10.3	-	6,600
Liberia	100.0	0.0	-	100.0	0.0	-	103,040
Mali	5.5	-	94.5	98.5	1.5	-	11,640
Mauritania	-	100.0	-	100.0	0.0	-	23,100
Niger	-	-	100.0	89.2	10.8	-	3,700
Nigeria	-	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	7,900
Senegal	100.0	-	-	98.4	1.6	-	60,800
Sierra Leone	100.0	-	-	99.5	0.5	-	9,900
Togo	94.8	5.2	-	94.8	5.2	-	11,810
<b>Western Africa</b>	<b>94.2</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>98.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>800,380</b>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>83.8</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>84.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>3,270,860</b>

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	1951 UN/1969 OAU Convention	UNHCR Mandate	Other/unknown (1)	Prima facie	Individually recognized	Not available/unknown	
China	100.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	-	292,380
Hong Kong, China	96.2	3.8	-	96.2	3.8	-	1,040
Japan	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	1,900
Rep. of Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Eastern Asia</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>99.3</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>295,320</b>
Bangladesh	-	100.0	-	99.4	0.6	-	22,300
India	-	9.3	90.7	-	9.3	90.7	185,500
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	-	1,931,300
Kazakhstan	5.2	-	94.8	94.8	5.2	-	8,330
Kyrgyzstan	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	14,600
Nepal	-	0.0	100.0	90.3	1.7	7.9	126,120
Pakistan	-	0.2	99.8	100.0	0.0	-	1,202,500
Sri Lanka	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	30
Tajikistan	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	3,600
Turkmenistan	-	100.0	-	99.1	0.9	-	14,600
Uzbekistan	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	1,100
<b>South-central Asia</b>	<b>55.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>93.8</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>3,509,980</b>
Cambodia	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	20
Indonesia	20.0	80.0	-	25.0	75.0	-	50
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	0.6	99.4	-	0.6	99.4	50,590
Philippines	3.2	96.8	-	-	100.0	-	310
Singapore	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	10
Thailand	0.1	99.9	-	97.5	2.5	-	138,300
Viet Nam	-	-	100.0	100.0	-	-	15,000
<b>South-eastern Asia</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>67.9</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>204,280</b>
Armenia	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	-	310,000
Azerbaijan	-	0.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	-	221,620

Cyprus	-	87.5	12.5	-	100.0	-	80
Georgia	-	-	100.0	-	100.0	-	20
Iraq	-	100.0	-	94.0	5.9	0.1	104,100
Jordan	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	780
Kuwait	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	4,200
Lebanon	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	3,700
Saudi Arabia	-	100.0	-	100.0	-	-	5,500
Syrian Arab Rep.	-	27.3	72.7	89.0	11.0	-	20,900
Turkey	-	74.2	25.8	25.8	74.2	-	2,560
United Arab Emirates	-	100.0	-	64.2	35.8	-	530
Yemen	-	100.0	-	93.5	6.5	-	61,400
<b>Western Asia</b>	42.2	25.6	32.3	96.8	3.2	0.0	735,390
<b>Asia</b>	53.9	8.1	38.0	93.7	1.4	4.8	4,744,970

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	1951 UN/1969 OAU Convention	UNHCR Mandate	Other/unknown (1)	Prima facie	Individually recognized	Not available/unknown	
Belarus	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	80
Bulgaria	95.8	-	4.2	-	100.0	-	240
Czech Rep.	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	1,800
Hungary	86.6	8.7	4.8	-	-	100.0	5,430
Poland	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	900
Romania	51.0	4.1	44.9	32.3	67.7	-	980
Russian Federation	99.9	0.1	-	-	100.0	-	128,590
Slovakia	97.7	2.3	-	-	100.0	-	430
Ukraine	52.5	47.5	-	47.5	52.5	-	6,100
<b>Eastern Europe</b>	97.0	2.5	0.5	2.2	94.0	3.7	144,550
Denmark	26.9	-	73.1	-	100.0	-	70,000
Finland	48.8	-	51.2	-	100.0	-	12,300
Iceland	50.0	-	50.0	-	100.0	-	300
Ireland	73.3	-	26.7	-	100.0	-	600
Latvia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lithuania	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	30
Norway	21.4	-	78.6	-	100.0	-	45,300
Sweden	19.1	-	80.9	-	100.0	-	178,800
United Kingdom	30.6	-	69.4	-	100.0	-	116,000
<b>Northern Europe</b>	24.8	-	75.2	-	100.0	-	423,330
Albania	-	100.0	-	100.0	0.0	-	22,300
Bosnia and Herzegovina	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	-	40,000
Croatia	-	-	100.0	-	100.0	-	29,000
FYR Macedonia	-	-	100.0	47.1	52.9	-	1,700
Greece	95.2	-	4.8	-	100.0	-	5,990
Italy	17.6	-	82.4	-	-	100.0	68,300
Malta	-	84.4	15.6	-	84.4	15.6	640
Portugal	70.6	-	29.4	-	100.0	-	340
Slovenia	-	-	100.0	99.1	0.9	-	3,500

Spain	76.7	-	23.3	-	100.0	-	6,000
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	100.0	0.0	-	91.2	8.8	-	502,010
<b>Southern Europe</b>	83.0	3.4	13.6	77.2	12.8	10.1	679,780
Austria	16.5	-	83.5	83.1	16.9	-	80,400
Belgium	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	36,100
France	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	140,200
Germany	-	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	949,200
Luxembourg	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	700
Netherlands	42.0	-	58.0	-	100.0	-	131,800
Switzerland	29.7	-	70.3	-	100.0	-	81,900
<b>Western Europe</b>	19.0	-	81.0	4.7	28.5	66.8	1,420,300
<b>Europe</b>	40.5	1.0	58.5	22.3	39.4	38.3	2,667,960

Region and country/territory of asylum	Legal status			Type of recognition			Total refugee population (abs.)
	1951 UN/1969 OAU Convention	UNHCR Mandate	Other/unknown (1)	Prima facie	Individually recognized	Not available/unknown	
Bahamas	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	80
Cuba	-	100.0	-	90.7	9.3	-	1,100
Dominican Rep.	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	610
Jamaica	75.0	-	25.0	-	100.0	-	40
<b>Caribbean</b>	39.3	60.1	0.5	53.9	46.1	-	1,830
Belize	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	3,400
Costa Rica	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	23,000
El Salvador	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	30
Guatemala	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	820
Honduras	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	10
Mexico	-	100.0	-	85.2	14.8	-	28,300
Nicaragua	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	470
Panama	52.8	-	47.2	-	-	100.0	1,230
<b>Central America</b>	48.1	50.9	1.0	42.1	55.8	2.1	57,260
Argentina	-	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	10,900
Bolivia	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	350
Brazil	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	2,300
Chile	83.9	-	16.1	-	100.0	-	310
Colombia	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	220
Ecuador	96.0	4.0	-	-	100.0	-	250
Paraguay	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	30
Peru	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	430
Uruguay	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	160
Venezuela	-	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	160
<b>South America</b>	26.4	1.1	72.5	-	27.9	72.1	15,110
<b>Latin America and Car.</b>	43.5	41.0	15.6	33.8	49.9	16.3	74,200

	Legal status	Type of recognition	Total
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Region and country/territory of asylum	1951 UN/1969 OAU Convention	UNHCR Mandate	Other/unknown (1)	Prima facie	Individually recognized	Not available/unknown	refugee population (abs.)
Canada	79.1	-	20.9	-	100.0	-	135,600
United States of America	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	524,100
<b>Northern America</b>	<b>95.7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>659,700</b>
Australia	39.0	-	61.0	-	100.0	-	61,800
New Zealand	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	4,100
<b>Australia-New Zealand</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>57.2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65,900</b>
Papua New Guinea	100.0	-	-	100.0	-	-	8,200
Solomon Islands	100.0	-	-	-	100.0	-	210
<b>Melanesia</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>97.5</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,410</b>
<b>Oceania</b>	<b>49.3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50.7</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>89.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>74,310</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Legal status			Type of recognition			Total refugee population (abs.)
	1951 UN/1969 OAU Convention	UNHCR Mandate	Other/unknown (1)	Prima facie	Individually recognized	Not available/unknown	
<b>Total</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>32.2</b>	<b>68.3</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>11,492,000</b>

#### Notes

(1) Including humanitarian status and, generally, temporary protection

## Refugees and Others of Concern to UNHCR - 1998 Statistical Overview

Table I.4. Indicative number of refugees, 1989-1998(\*)

Region and country/territory of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Burundi	267,500	268,400	270,100	271,700	271,900	300,300	142,700	980	22,000	25,100
Djibouti	1,400	70,200	96,100	28,000	34,100	33,400	25,700	25,100	23,600	23,600
Eritrea	-	-	-	-	-	710	1,100	2,100	2,600	2,500
Ethiopia	710,200	772,800	527,000	431,800	247,600	348,100	393,500	390,500	323,100	262,000
Kenya	12,400	14,400	120,200	401,900	301,600	252,400	239,500	223,600	232,100	238,200
Malawi	822,500	926,700	981,800	1,058,500	713,600	90,200	1,000	1,300	280	440
Mozambique	390	430	430	300	200	320	60	200	70	50
Rwanda	21,500	23,600	34,000	25,200	300,000	6,000	7,800	25,300	34,200	33,400
Somalia	600,000	460,000	-	480	300	390	630	700	620	340
Uganda	130,000	142,400	162,500	196,300	286,500	286,500	229,300	264,300	188,500	204,500
United Rep. of Tanzania	265,100	265,200	288,100	292,100	564,500	883,300	829,700	498,700	570,400	543,900
Zambia	137,100	138,000	140,700	142,100	141,100	141,100	130,600	131,100	165,100	168,600
Zimbabwe	175,400	182,700	197,600	137,200	237,100	2,200	350	600	800	820
<b>Eastern Africa</b>	<b>3,143,490</b>	<b>3,264,830</b>	<b>2,818,530</b>	<b>2,985,580</b>	<b>3,098,500</b>	<b>2,344,920</b>	<b>2,001,940</b>	<b>1,564,480</b>	<b>1,563,370</b>	<b>1,503,450</b>
Angola	12,900	11,600	11,000	11,000	10,900	10,700	10,900	9,400	9,400	10,600
Cameroon	48,600	49,900	45,200	42,200	44,000	44,000	45,900	46,400	47,100	47,700
Central African Rep.	2,500	4,300	12,200	19,000	44,100	47,800	33,800	36,600	38,600	43,000
Chad	-	-	-	-	-	110	130	100	300	8,800
Congo	3,400	3,000	3,400	9,500	13,600	15,500	15,000	20,500	20,600	26,400
Gabon	-	420	220	270	600	600	770	800	860	1,100
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	340,700	416,400	483,000	391,100	486,800	1,724,400	1,326,500	676,000	297,500	240,300
<b>Middle Africa</b>	<b>408,100</b>	<b>485,620</b>	<b>555,020</b>	<b>473,070</b>	<b>600,000</b>	<b>1,843,110</b>	<b>1,433,000</b>	<b>789,800</b>	<b>414,360</b>	<b>377,900</b>
Algeria	169,100	169,100	169,100	219,300	219,100	219,100	206,800	190,300	170,700	165,200
Egypt	1,700	2,000	2,200	5,500	6,700	7,200	7,700	6,000	6,400	6,300
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	-	-	-	-	1,100	2,000	3,300	7,700	8,500	10,600
Morocco	300	310	320	320	340	340	360	50	60	330
Sudan	767,700	780,000	729,200	725,600	745,200	727,200	558,200	393,900	374,400	391,500
Tunisia	-	30	130	110	100	20	60	180	510	530
<b>Northern Africa</b>	<b>938,800</b>	<b>951,440</b>	<b>900,950</b>	<b>950,830</b>	<b>972,540</b>	<b>955,860</b>	<b>776,420</b>	<b>598,130</b>	<b>560,570</b>	<b>574,460</b>
Botswana	1,500	1,200	940	500	510	500	310	210	280	2,100
Lesotho	4,200	210	220	120	60	60	-	-	-	-
Namibia	-	-	140	170	620	1,100	1,400	2,200	2,500	3,500
South Africa	-	-	-	-	250,000	91,900	91,800	22,600	6,500	8,400
Swaziland	34,900	42,100	49,600	55,600	45,500	640	470	580	580	590
<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>40,600</b>	<b>43,510</b>	<b>50,900</b>	<b>56,390</b>	<b>296,690</b>	<b>94,200</b>	<b>93,980</b>	<b>25,590</b>	<b>9,860</b>	<b>14,590</b>
Benin	860	460	460	290	156,200	70,400	23,500	6,000	2,900	2,900
Burkina Faso	360	-	310	5,700	8,000	50,000	29,500	28,400	1,800	560
Côte d'Ivoire	480	272,300	230,300	174,100	251,700	360,100	297,900	327,700	208,500	119,900
Gambia	-	80	240	3,600	2,200	2,200	7,200	6,900	7,300	10,300
Ghana	80	8,100	8,100	12,100	150,100	113,700	89,200	35,600	22,900	14,600
Guinea	-	325,000	548,000	478,500	577,200	553,200	633,000	663,900	435,300	413,700
Guinea-Bissau	-	3,000	4,600	12,200	15,700	23,900	15,300	15,400	15,900	6,600



Liberia	250	-	-	100,000	150,200	120,200	120,000	120,100	126,900	103,100
Mali	70	13,200	13,100	13,100	15,200	15,800	15,600	18,200	12,600	11,600
Mauritania	15,000	20,400	35,200	37,500	46,700	82,200	40,400	15,900	10	23,100
Niger	-	790	1,400	3,700	8,700	15,100	22,600	25,800	7,400	3,700
Nigeria	3,800	3,600	3,600	4,800	4,800	6,000	8,100	8,500	9,000	7,900
Senegal	53,300	58,100	71,900	71,600	73,000	73,000	68,600	65,000	57,200	60,800
Sierra Leone	-	125,800	28,000	5,900	15,800	15,900	4,700	13,500	13,000	9,900
Togo	3,400	3,500	3,400	3,400	600	12,400	11,000	12,600	12,700	11,800
<b>Western Africa</b>	<b>77,600</b>	<b>834,330</b>	<b>948,610</b>	<b>926,490</b>	<b>1,476,100</b>	<b>1,514,100</b>	<b>1,386,600</b>	<b>1,363,500</b>	<b>933,410</b>	<b>800,460</b>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>4,608,590</b>	<b>5,579,730</b>	<b>5,274,010</b>	<b>5,392,360</b>	<b>6,443,830</b>	<b>6,752,190</b>	<b>5,691,940</b>	<b>4,341,500</b>	<b>3,481,570</b>	<b>3,270,860</b>

<b>Region and country/territory of asylum</b>	<b>1989</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1991</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>
China	280,500	287,200	288,900	288,100	288,200	287,100	288,300	290,100	291,500	292,300
Hong Kong, China	49,500	52,000	60,000	45,300	1,900	1,700	1,500	6,900	1,200	1,000
Japan	8,400	8,400	9,100	8,200	130	9,100	10	40	2,100	1,900
Macau	420	210	120	20	10	10	10	-	-	-
Rep. of Korea	230	230	160	150	-	-	-	10	-	-
<b>Eastern Asia</b>	<b>339,050</b>	<b>348,040</b>	<b>358,280</b>	<b>341,770</b>	<b>290,240</b>	<b>297,910</b>	<b>289,820</b>	<b>297,050</b>	<b>294,800</b>	<b>295,200</b>
Afghanistan	-	50	40	60,000	39,000	19,100	19,600	18,800	10	-
Bangladesh	-	-	40,300	245,000	199,000	116,200	51,100	30,700	21,600	22,300
Bhutan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
India	9,500	12,700	210,600	258,400	260,300	258,300	274,100	233,400	223,100	185,500
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	2,850,000	4,174,400	4,405,000	4,150,700	2,495,000	2,236,400	2,024,500	2,030,400	1,982,600	1,931,300
Kazakhstan	-	-	-	-	9,000	5,000	-	15,600	15,600	8,300
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	-	-	5,000	21,200	13,200	16,700	15,300	14,600
Nepal	140	80	9,600	75,500	85,300	103,300	124,800	126,800	129,200	126,100
Pakistan	3,275,700	3,185,300	3,099,900	1,629,200	1,479,500	1,055,400	867,600	1,202,700	1,202,700	1,202,500
Sri Lanka	-	-	20	20	10	10	10	10	30	30
Tajikistan	-	-	-	3,000	300	700	440	1,200	2,200	3,600
Turkmenistan	-	-	-	-	15,000	400	3,000	15,600	15,800	14,600
Uzbekistan	-	-	-	-	1,000	8,000	880	2,900	3,200	1,100
<b>South-central Asia</b>	<b>6,135,340</b>	<b>7,372,530</b>	<b>7,765,460</b>	<b>6,421,820</b>	<b>4,588,410</b>	<b>3,824,010</b>	<b>3,379,230</b>	<b>3,694,810</b>	<b>3,611,340</b>	<b>3,509,930</b>
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	10	10	20	20	10	20
Indonesia	4,500	20,600	18,700	15,600	2,400	100	20	60	30	50
Malaysia	20,500	14,900	13,900	10,300	910	5,300	170	200	5,300	50,600
Philippines	26,700	19,600	20,000	6,700	2,500	670	80	2,300	300	310
Singapore	480	150	170	120	-	10	10	10	10	10
Thailand	99,900	99,800	88,200	63,600	104,400	100,800	101,400	108,000	169,200	138,300
Viet Nam	15,000	13,900	20,100	16,300	5,100	5,000	-	34,400	15,000	15,000
<b>South-eastern Asia</b>	<b>167,080</b>	<b>168,950</b>	<b>161,070</b>	<b>112,620</b>	<b>115,320</b>	<b>111,890</b>	<b>101,700</b>	<b>144,990</b>	<b>189,850</b>	<b>204,290</b>
Armenia	-	-	-	300,000	340,700	304,000	218,000	219,000	219,000	310,000
Azerbaijan	-	-	-	246,000	230,000	231,600	233,700	233,000	233,700	221,600
Cyprus	-	-	265,100	-	80	70	60	50	40	80
Georgia	-	-	-	-	-	-	140	100	180	20
Iraq	-	900	88,000	95,000	108,100	119,600	123,300	113,000	104,000	104,100
Jordan	140	660	440	270	470	580	700	870	730	780
Kuwait	200	-	125,000	124,900	24,000	30,000	30,000	3,800	3,800	4,200
Lebanon	4,400	2,500	5,200	6,000	1,800	1,400	2,100	2,400	3,100	3,700
Saudi Arabia	-	-	33,100	28,700	24,000	18,000	13,300	9,900	5,800	5,500

Syrian Arab Rep.	-	1,700	4,200	5,700	11,600	40,300	37,000	27,800	22,700	20,900
Turkey	33,100	28,000	29,400	28,500	23,300	24,900	9,900	8,200	2,400	2,500
United Arab Emirates	70	-	-	-	430	380	400	460	520	530
Yemen	80,100	3,000	30,000	59,700	53,800	13,600	40,300	53,500	38,500	61,400
<b>Western Asia</b>	118,010	36,760	580,440	894,770	818,280	784,430	708,900	672,080	634,470	735,310
<b>Asia</b>	6,759,480	7,926,280	8,865,250	7,770,980	5,812,250	5,018,240	4,479,650	4,808,930	4,730,460	4,744,730

Region and country/territory of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Belarus	-	-	-	-	-	1,800	-	30,500	50	80
Bulgaria	-	-	-	220	90	1,100	50	1,400	390	240
Czech Rep.	-	-	690	9,400	240	1,200	2,700	2,300	1,700	1,800
Hungary	27,000	45,100	73,800	32,400	3,000	2,900	11,400	7,500	5,900	5,400
Poland	-	-	170	2,700	810	390	600	600	840	900
Romania	-	-	650	520	1,200	1,200	220	270	630	990
Russian Federation	-	-	-	17,100	44,700	50,200	42,300	205,500	237,700	128,600
Slovakia	-	-	-	-	1,500	160	1,900	1,400	690	420
Ukraine	-	-	-	-	-	5,200	5,200	3,600	4,600	6,100
<b>Eastern Europe</b>	27,000	45,100	75,310	62,340	51,540	64,150	64,370	253,070	252,500	144,530
Denmark	33,000	34,300	44,000	58,300	42,200	27,100	35,600	53,300	57,000	70,000
Finland	2,000	2,400	7,700	12,000	9,000	11,300	13,300	10,200	11,700	12,300
Iceland	-	90	140	150	160	160	-	230	260	290
Ireland	-	-	300	500	260	400	400	70	430	600
Lithuania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	30
Norway	18,500	19,600	29,100	35,700	26,600	9,900	22,500	57,000	57,000	45,300
Sweden	139,800	183,400	238,400	324,500	257,000	36,900	43,200	191,200	187,000	178,800
United Kingdom	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	79,400	20,000	20,400	96,900	102,700	116,100
<b>Northern Europe</b>	293,300	339,790	419,640	531,150	414,620	105,760	135,400	408,900	416,100	423,420
Albania	-	-	-	3,000	3,000	3,000	-	4,900	30	22,300
Bosnia and Herzegovina	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40,000	40,000
Croatia	-	-	-	648,000	280,000	183,600	188,600	165,400	68,900	29,000
FYR Macedonia	-	-	-	32,000	15,000	14,900	9,000	5,100	3,500	1,700
Greece	7,500	8,500	9,000	8,500	8,200	7,800	4,500	5,800	5,500	5,900
Italy	11,400	11,700	12,200	12,400	12,400	12,500	80,000	71,600	73,400	68,300
Malta	-	-	-	-	510	430	310	370	340	640
Portugal	660	870	1,000	1,800	600	1,400	1,400	250	300	340
Slovenia	-	-	-	47,000	45,000	29,200	22,300	10,000	5,100	3,500
Spain	8,700	8,300	9,200	9,700	13,200	5,100	7,100	5,700	5,600	6,000
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	960	920	520	516,500	479,100	195,500	650,000	563,200	550,100	502,000
<b>Southern Europe</b>	29,220	30,290	31,920	1,278,900	857,010	453,430	963,210	832,320	752,770	679,680
Austria	18,200	17,700	18,700	60,900	18,800	18,500	37,500	29,700	84,400	80,300
Belgium	25,500	25,900	24,100	24,300	24,900	19,500	31,700	36,100	36,100	36,100
France	188,300	193,200	170,000	182,600	183,000	152,300	170,200	151,300	147,300	140,200
Germany	150,700	162,700	383,900	827,100	1,068,000	1,004,600	569,000	1,266,000	1,049,000	949,200
Luxembourg	-	690	690	2,200	230	300	300	700	700	700
Netherlands	27,200	28,500	21,300	26,900	33,200	30,800	72,000	103,400	118,700	131,800
Switzerland	29,300	28,600	27,600	26,700	27,900	27,200	57,300	84,400	83,200	81,900
<b>Western Europe</b>	439,200	457,290	646,290	1,150,700	1,356,030	1,253,200	938,000	1,671,600	1,519,400	1,420,200
<b>Europe</b>	788,720	872,470	1,173,160	3,023,090	2,679,200	1,876,540	2,100,980	3,165,890	2,940,770	2,667,830

Region and country/territory of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Bahamas	-	-	-	370	60	-	-	50	60	80
Cuba	4,000	4,000	-	5,100	3,600	2,000	1,800	1,700	1,300	1,100
Dominican Rep.	3,400	2,000	1,600	510	1,300	1,300	980	640	640	610
Jamaica	-	-	-	50	60	40	2,000	30	30	40
<b>Caribbean</b>	7,400	6,000	1,600	6,030	5,020	3,340	4,780	2,420	2,030	1,830
Belize	30,100	30,100	19,400	20,400	8,900	8,800	8,700	8,500	8,400	3,400
Costa Rica	278,600	276,000	117,500	114,400	24,800	24,600	24,200	23,200	23,100	23,000
El Salvador	20,300	20,300	20,100	19,900	160	160	150	150	110	30
Guatemala	223,100	223,400	223,200	222,900	4,700	4,700	1,500	1,600	1,500	820
Honduras	237,100	237,100	102,000	100,100	70	100	60	50	10	10
Mexico	356,400	356,400	354,500	361,000	52,000	47,400	39,600	34,600	31,900	28,300
Nicaragua	16,000	16,000	14,900	14,500	5,600	310	580	560	470	470
Panama	1,400	1,300	910	1,000	960	970	870	60	620	1,200
<b>Central America</b>	1,163,000	1,160,600	852,510	854,200	97,190	87,040	75,660	68,720	66,110	57,230
Argentina	12,600	11,700	11,500	11,500	11,600	11,900	12,000	10,400	10,500	10,900
Bolivia	270	-	340	490	670	730	690	700	330	350
Brazil	5,300	5,300	5,400	5,400	6,200	2,200	2,000	2,200	2,300	2,300
Chile	300	60	70	140	240	220	320	310	270	310
Colombia	690	500	480	480	470	320	5,500	220	220	230
Ecuador	760	510	290	210	260	240	14,500	210	230	250
French Guiana	6,600	6,600	5,900	1,700	10	10	-	-	-	-
Paraguay	50	70	70	50	50	60	60	50	50	30
Peru	690	720	680	640	740	660	720	660	750	430
Suriname	-	-	-	50	50	40	-	-	10	-
Uruguay	110	90	80	90	160	110	130	140	130	160
Venezuela	2,100	1,700	1,700	2,000	2,200	2,200	11,200	1,600	300	160
<b>South America</b>	29,470	27,250	26,510	22,750	22,650	18,690	47,120	16,490	15,090	15,120
<b>Latin America and Car.</b>	1,199,870	1,193,850	880,620	882,980	124,860	109,070	127,560	87,630	83,230	74,180

Region and country/territory of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Canada	447,200	508,400	538,100	568,200	339,300	89,700	144,200	123,200	121,400	135,700
United States	1,000,000	1,000,000	482,000	473,000	951,500	591,700	645,500	596,900	547,100	524,100
<b>Northern America</b>	1,447,200	1,508,400	1,020,100	1,041,200	1,290,800	681,400	789,700	720,100	668,500	659,800
Australia	97,900	97,900	32,400	35,600	32,400	32,400	35,600	59,000	60,200	61,800
New Zealand	4,700	4,700	16,800	17,300	10,400	10,400	1,200	3,700	1,900	4,100
<b>Australia-New Zealand</b>	102,600	102,600	49,200	52,900	42,800	42,800	36,800	62,700	62,100	65,900
Papua New Guinea	7,700	7,100	6,100	6,700	7,700	8,500	9,500	10,200	8,200	8,200
Solomon Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	800	210
<b>Melanesia</b>	7,700	7,100	6,100	6,700	7,700	8,500	9,500	12,200	9,000	8,410
<b>Oceania</b>	110,300	109,700	55,300	59,600	50,500	51,300	46,300	74,900	71,100	74,310

Region and country/territory of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>Total</b>	14,914,160	17,190,430	17,268,440	18,170,210	16,401,440	14,488,740	13,236,130	13,198,950	11,975,630	11,491,710

#### Notes

(\*) The method of estimation of refugee populations in most European countries, North America and Australia up to 1993 is unclear.

After 1993, the estimates of these countries are based on the number of arrivals and/or recognition of refugees over the previous five (North America, Australia) or ten (Europe) years.

The refugee population estimates for 1994 and 1995 exclude persons granted a humanitarian status. The refugee population estimates for 1994 exclude persons granted temporary protection.

Source: UNHCR, unpublished tabulations (up to 1992). UNHCR's annual Statistical Overview (as from 1993).

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### Chapter II. Changes in the refugee population

During 1998, some 280,000 Sierra Leonean refugees sought asylum, the largest **mass outflow** recorded during 1998. The second largest refugee outflow was constituted by Sudanese (37,000), followed by Angolans (33,000). During 1998, Guinea experienced the largest mass inflow of refugees (222,000), followed by Liberia (57,000) and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (53,000) (see [Table II.1](#)).

In six of the nine new mass outflows for which a gender breakdown was reported, female refugees constituted between 40 and 60 per cent (see box below).

New arrivals of <i>prima facie</i> female refugees, 1998					
Country of asylum	Total (female and male)	% female	Country of asylum	Total (female and male)	% female
Albania	22,300	43.6	Mauritania	160	30.0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	10,000	42.0	Senegal	4,700	26.0
Croatia	150	49.3	Thailand	23,000	48.0
Gambia	3,800	60.0	Zambia	3,200	35.0
Ghana	90	41.0			

It is estimated that, during 1998, some 986,000 refugees **repatriated** to their country of origin, 42 per cent (418,000) of whom repatriated with UNHCR assistance. The largest number of refugees returned to Liberia (236,000), Sierra Leone (195,000), Bosnia and Herzegovina (129,000) and Afghanistan (107,000) (see [Table II.2](#)).

During 1998, the largest voluntary repatriation movements concerned Liberians returning from Guinea (129,000) and Côte d'Ivoire (103,000); Sierra Leoneans returning from Guinea (115,000) and Liberia (79,000); citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina returning from Germany (98,000); and Afghans returning from Pakistan (93,000) (Table II.3).

The gender breakdown is available for some 22 voluntary repatriation operations, covering 90,000 (9 per cent) of the total number of refugees who returned during 1998. Among these 90,000 returnees, 56 per cent were female. In 16 of the 22 repatriation operations, the proportion of refugee women of all ages was between 40 and 60 per cent (see box below).

Percentage female refugees in voluntary repatriation, 1998			
Country of asylum	%	Country of asylum	%
Bangladesh	51.5	Lebanon	72.0
Burkina Faso	50.0	Malawi	53.0
Cuba	55.0	Mauritania	27.0
Egypt	57.7	Mexico	50.0
Ethiopia	60.0	Senegal	80.0
FYR Macedonia	55.0	Syrian Arab Rep.	45.0
Gambia	60.0	Thailand	49.0
Guatemala	55.0	Turkey	46.5
Hong Kong, China	12.5	Uzbekistan	22.0
India	49.0	Venezuela	50.0
Jordan	49.0	Zambia	35.0

UNHCR offices reported the **resettlement** of some 28,400 refugees during 1998, some 22 per cent less than during 1997 (see [Table II.4](#)). However, the fall in the number of refugees who were resettled with UNHCR assistance was much less dramatic: from 23,160 in 1997 to 21,200 in 1998, a 2 per cent decrease.

The largest national groups resettled during 1998 were citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina (6,860), Croatia (3,910) and Somalia (3,770). However, among those resettled under UNHCR programmes, Somalis constituted the biggest group (3,760), followed by Iraqi nationals (3,590) and Croatian citizens (3,310).

Some 36 per cent of all resettled refugees had found first asylum in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (10,170), whereas some 13 per cent (3,740) was resettled from Kenya.

The percentage female refugees is available for 29 out of the 57 resettlement movements reported by UNHCR offices in countries of first asylum. In these 29 movements, covering in total 7,386 refugees, the percentage of female refugees was 49.3 (see box below).

Number of refugees resettled and % female, 1998								
Country of first asylum	Total no.	% female	Country/territory of first asylum	Total no.	% female	Country of first asylum	Total no.	% female
Azerbaijan	25	24.0	Hong Kong, China	168	57.1	Senegal	86	20.9
Burkina Faso	90	43.3	India	803	57.8	Somalia	19	42.1
Colombia	3	33.3	Indonesia	4	50.0	Syrian Arab Rep.	972	57.9
Cuba	79	12.7	Jordan	932	50.5	Thailand	245	35.9
Cyprus	9	33.3	Kuwait	51	17.6	Turisia	12	33.3
Czech Rep.	3	66.7	Lebanon	178	47.8	Turkey	1,629	46.0
Ecuador	2	100.0	Liberia	25	68.0	Uzbekistan	8	62.5
Egypt	1,364	50.4	Malawi	5	80.0	Venezuela	4	50.0
Gambia	137	81.8	Mexico	28	57.1	Zambia	31	38.7
Guatemala	3	66.7	Saudi Arabia	471	35.0	<b>Total</b>	<b>7,386</b>	<b>49.3</b>

[Table II.1](#) Major new arrivals of *prima facie* refugees, 1998

[Table II.2](#) Total refugee returns during 1998, 1997 and earlier

[Table II.3](#) Major voluntary repatriations during 1998 and 1997

[Table II.4](#) Refugees resettled during 1996-1998

[Table II.5](#) Major resettlement movements, 1996-1998

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**Table II.1 Major new arrivals of *prima facie* refugees, 1998**

Origin	Country of asylum	Total
Angola	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	33,000
Burundi	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	11,000
Burundi	United Rep. of Tanzania	17,600
Congo	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	8,500
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Burundi	6,700
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Rwanda	4,500
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United Rep. of Tanzania	19,200
Guinea-Bissau	Gambia	1,200
Guinea-Bissau	Guinea	2,100
Guinea-Bissau	Senegal	4,700
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Iraq	2,100
Liberia	Côte d'Ivoire	14,500
Myanmar	Thailand	2,100
Namibia	Botswana	1,900
Rwanda	United Rep. of Tanzania	6,500
Rwanda	Zambia	1,900
Senegal	Gambia	1,900
Sierra Leone	Guinea	220,000
Sierra Leone	Liberia	57,400
Somalia	Yemen	13,900
Sudan	Central African Rep.	1,600
Sudan	Chad	8,500
Sudan	Ethiopia	7,200
Sudan	Kenya	10,300
Sudan	Uganda	9,500
Tajikistan	Kazakhstan	5,200
Tibetans	Nepal	3,100
Turkey	Iraq	1,100
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Albania	22,300
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Bosnia and Herzegovina	10,000

**Note**

Only new arrivals are listed numbering 1,000 and more.

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Table II.2 Total refugee returns during 1998, 1997 and earlier

Origin	Returns during 1998		Returns during 1997		Total returns 1997/8 (1)		Total returns since start of movement	
	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted
Afghanistan	107,200	107,000	86,500	73,200	193,700	180,200	4,089,000	2,600,000
Angola	21,800	21,800	54,000	53,700	75,800	75,500	151,900	151,500
Armenia	10	10	-	-	10	10	10	10
Bangladesh	13,400	-	16,500	-	29,900	-	64,500	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	129,200	1,700	113,200	3,500	242,400	5,200	286,800	19,500
Burundi	23,800	23,600	90,800	88,100	114,600	111,700	199,700	197,200
Cambodia	7,200	7,100	3,400	3,400	10,600	10,500	10,500	10,500
Cameroon	10	10	-	-	10	10	10	10
Chad	350	350	2,600	2,400	2,950	2,750	2,300	2,100
Chile	20	20	-	-	20	20	20	20
Congo	7,400	7,400	12,200	12,200	19,600	19,600	19,600	19,600
Croatia	24,900	3,100	16,200	820	41,100	3,920	62,800	4,300
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	66,200	46,300	45,100	13,700	111,300	60,000	106,500	58,900
El Salvador	70	70	130	110	200	180	200	180
Eritrea	40	40	1,600	1,600	1,640	1,640	1,600	1,600
Ethiopia	12,800	12,400	10,000	10,000	22,800	22,400	53,000	53,000
Ghana	1,100	-	-	-	1,100	-	1,100	-
Guatemala	3,900	3,900	3,600	3,600	7,500	7,500	41,700	41,700
Iraq	12,100	12,000	10,400	10,400	22,500	22,400	63,900	63,900
Kazakhstan	15,500	-	10,000	-	25,500	-	25,500	-
Kenya	10	-	10	10	20	10	20	10
Kyrgyzstan	1,200	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	190	190	350	350	540	540	27,800	27,800
Liberia	236,200	76,200	15,200	14,800	251,400	91,000	252,400	91,900
Mali	26,900	8,600	34,500	34,400	61,400	43,000	131,800	74,100
Mauritania	7,000	4,500	10,700	8,200	17,700	12,700	36,600	30,600
Mozambique	40	40	30	30	70	70	1,714,300	1,714,300
Myanmar	110	110	10,100	10,100	10,210	10,210	229,500	229,500
Nicaragua	90	50	40	-	130	50	130	50
Niger	3,800	2,900	400	400	4,200	3,300	4,200	3,300
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	590	-
Peru	10	-	-	-	10	-	10	-
Russian Federation	60	50	40	40	100	90	100	90
Rwanda	11,300	6,400	220,500	216,200	231,800	222,600	2,657,400	1,755,900
Sierra Leone	194,600	14,800	3,800	1,800	198,400	16,600	198,400	16,600
Somalia	51,500	50,700	51,800	12,500	103,300	63,200	103,200	63,100
South Africa	50	50	20	20	70	70	70	70
Sri Lanka	110	-	-	-	110	-	110	-
Sudan	120	120	63,300	30	63,420	150	63,500	160



Tajikistan	3,800	3,800	12,300	10,300	16,100	14,100	45,400	43,700
Togo	490	-	12,400	10,100	12,890	10,100	85,600	10,100
Turkey	630	630	1,200	1,200	1,830	1,830	1,800	1,800
Uganda	1,000	1,000	1,300	1,200	2,300	2,200	2,300	2,300
Uzbekistan	20	20	-	-	20	20	20	20
Various	110	40	-	-	110	40	110	40
Viet Nam	80	80	4,900	4,700	4,980	4,780	110,100	109,800
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	-	-	1,900	200	1,900	200	700	200
<b>Total</b>	<b>986,420</b>	<b>418,280</b>	<b>921,020</b>	<b>603,310</b>	<b>1,907,440</b>	<b>1,021,590</b>	<b>10,848,000</b>	<b>7,400,660</b>

**Note**

(1) Equals the returnee population as of end-1998 ([Table I.1](#))

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Table II.3 Major voluntary repatriations during 1998 and 1997

Origin	Country of asylum	Returns during 1998		Returns during 1997		Total returns since 1997	
		Total	<i>of which: UNHCR- assisted</i>	Total	<i>of which: UNHCR- assisted</i>	Total	<i>of which: UNHCR- assisted</i>
Afghanistan	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	14,000	14,000	2,000	2,000	16,000	16,000
Afghanistan	Pakistan	93,200	93,000	84,500	71,200	177,700	164,200
Angola	Congo	1,000	1,000	260	30	1,260	1,030
Angola	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	15,600	15,600	28,800	28,800	44,400	44,400
Angola	Zambia	5,100	5,100	24,800	24,800	29,900	29,900
Bangladesh	India	13,400	-	16,500	-	29,900	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Austria	790	-	4,000	-	4,790	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	2,900	670	4,400	230	7,300	900
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Germany	98,200	-	95,900	-	194,100	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Slovenia	570	560	2,100	2,000	2,670	2,560
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Sweden	340	-	670	-	1,010	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Switzerland	4,800	-	3,900	-	8,700	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Turkey	300	300	770	630	1,070	930
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	20,000	50	210	210	20,210	260
Burundi	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	8,000	7,800	24,500	24,500	32,500	32,300
Burundi	Rwanda	1,000	1,000	5,600	3,300	6,600	4,300
Burundi	United Rep. of Tanzania	14,800	14,800	60,700	60,300	75,500	75,100
Cambodia	Thailand	7,100	7,100	3,400	3,400	10,500	10,500
Chad	Central African Rep.	120	120	1,500	1,500	1,620	1,620
Congo	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	7,200	7,200	11,800	11,800	19,000	19,000
Croatia	Various	5,000	-	10,000	-	15,000	-
Croatia	Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	19,800	3,000	6,200	820	26,000	3,820
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Burundi	3,600	-	-	-	3,600	-
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Central African Rep.	-	-	1,800	210	1,800	210
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Uganda	9,500	9,400	14,100	-	23,600	9,400
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United Rep. of Tanzania	52,700	36,700	24,400	12,300	77,100	49,000
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Zambia	200	60	4,800	1,200	5,000	1,260
Ethiopia	Djibouti	1,000	1,000	120	120	1,120	1,120
Ethiopia	Kenya	3,300	3,300	2,400	2,400	5,700	5,700
Ethiopia	Sudan	8,400	8,000	7,300	7,300	15,700	15,300
Ghana	Togo	1,100	-	-	-	1,100	-
Guatemala	Mexico	3,900	3,900	3,500	3,500	7,400	7,400
Iraq	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	12,000	12,000	10,400	10,400	22,400	22,400
Kazakhstan	Afghanistan	1,100	-	-	-	1,100	-
Kazakhstan	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	3,600	-	-	-	3,600	-
Kazakhstan	Tajikistan	9,600	-	-	-	9,600	-
Kazakhstan	Turkey	1,100	-	-	-	1,100	-
Kazakhstan	Various	-	-	10,000	-	10,000	-
Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan	1,200	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,200
Liberia	Côte d'Ivoire	103,200	23,200	590	590	103,790	23,790
Liberia	Ghana	2,500	2,500	730	730	3,230	3,230

Liberia	Guinea	128,700	48,700	13,000	13,000	141,700	61,700
Liberia	Nigeria	960	960	360	360	1,320	1,320
Liberia	Sierra Leone	740	640	500	90	1,240	730
Mali	Algeria	20,800	2,500	2,400	2,300	23,200	4,800
Mali	Burkina Faso	1,700	1,700	17,300	17,300	19,000	19,000
Mali	Mauritania	670	670	13,800	13,800	14,470	14,470
Mali	Niger	3,700	3,700	950	950	4,650	4,650
Mauritania	Mali	950	950	5,700	5,700	6,650	6,650
Mauritania	Senegal	6,000	3,500	5,000	2,600	11,000	6,100
Myanmar	Bangladesh	110	110	10,100	10,100	10,210	10,210
Niger	Algeria	3,800	2,900	-	-	3,800	2,900
Rwanda	Burundi	1,300	1,300	3,600	810	4,900	2,110
Rwanda	Congo	-	-	1,500	-	1,500	-
Rwanda	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	2,400	2,400	178,400	178,400	180,800	180,800
Rwanda	Gabon	-	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Rwanda	Uganda	5,100	100	8,800	8,800	13,900	8,900
Rwanda	United Rep. of Tanzania	2,500	2,500	25,700	25,700	28,200	28,200
Sierra Leone	Guinea	115,000	14,000	-	-	115,000	14,000
Sierra Leone	Liberia	78,800	-	1,800	1,800	80,600	1,800
Sierra Leone	Various	-	-	2,000	-	2,000	-
Somalia	Ethiopia	47,900	47,900	50,000	11,200	97,900	59,100
Somalia	Kenya	1,600	780	280	280	1,880	1,060
Somalia	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	-	-	1,000	520	1,000	520
Somalia	Yemen	1,700	1,700	400	300	2,100	2,000
Sudan	Uganda	-	-	63,300	10	63,300	10
Tajikistan	Afghanistan	140	140	10,300	10,300	10,440	10,440
Tajikistan	Kyrgyzstan	1,200	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,200
Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	2,500	2,500	2,000	90	4,500	2,590
Togo	Benin	-	-	3,400	1,100	3,400	1,100
Togo	Ghana	490	-	9,000	9,000	9,490	9,000
Turkey	Iraq	630	630	1,200	1,200	1,830	1,830
Uganda	Kenya	330	330	1,100	1,100	1,430	1,430
Viet Nam	Hong Kong, China	50	50	4,500	4,500	4,550	4,550
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	Hungary	-	-	1,200	200	1,200	200

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Table II.4 Refugees resettled during 1996-1998

Origin	Refugees resettled during 1996		Refugees resettled during 1997		Refugees resettled during 1998		Refugees resettled 1996-1998	
	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted
Afghanistan	360	310	570	570	1,020	1,000	1,950	1,880
Algeria	10	10	10	-	30	30	50	40
Angola	10	10	170	130	40	40	220	180
Azerbaijan	-	-	-	-	40	40	40	40
Bosnia and Herzegovina	6,790	6,620	11,440	3,550	6,860	1,910	25,090	12,080
Burundi	60	20	100	60	240	240	400	320
Cambodia	-	-	10	10	10	10	20	20
Cameroon	10	10	10	10	10	10	30	30
Chad	-	-	50	20	40	40	90	60
China	10	10	-	-	-	-	10	10
Colombia	-	-	20	-	10	10	30	10
Croatia	120	120	3,070	1,070	3,910	3,310	7,100	4,500
Cuba	10	-	10	-	-	-	20	-
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	220	170	190	80	180	180	590	430
Djibouti	-	-	-	-	20	20	20	20
El Salvador	20	-	-	-	10	-	30	-
Eritrea	160	10	130	130	210	-	500	140
Ethiopia	390	60	220	170	620	300	1,230	530
Gambia	-	-	20	20	40	40	60	60
Ghana	10	10	-	-	-	-	10	10
Guatemala	400	-	10	-	20	-	430	-
Honduras	-	-	10	-	-	-	10	-
Indonesia	-	-	-	-	60	-	60	-
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	1,710	1,700	3,110	2,860	2,640	2,640	7,460	7,200
Iraq	5,730	5,720	6,720	6,670	3,620	3,590	16,070	15,980
Kuwait	-	-	10	10	-	-	10	10
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	2,830	2,830	390	390	-	-	3,220	3,220
Lebanon	-	-	10	-	-	-	10	-
Liberia	20	20	550	550	1,460	840	2,030	1,410
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	-	-	10	10	-	-	10	10
Mauritania	-	-	10	-	-	-	10	-
Myanmar	330	330	530	530	240	230	1,100	1,090
Nigeria	90	90	50	50	310	310	450	450
Other	90	70	-	-	-	-	90	70
Palestinians	-	-	10	10	10	10	20	20
Peru	-	-	10	10	-	-	10	10
Rwanda	200	30	240	160	360	360	800	550
Saudi Arabia	-	-	-	-	10	10	10	10
Sierra Leone	-	-	30	30	170	170	200	200
Somalia	8,320	1,990	6,800	4,600	3,770	3,760	18,890	10,350
Sri Lanka	20	20	10	10	10	10	40	40

Stateless	-	-	10	10	-	-	10	10
Sudan	480	210	790	660	1,810	1,810	3,080	2,680
Syrian Arab Rep.	10	10	10	10	-	-	20	20
Tajikistan	3,000	-	10	10	10	10	3,020	20
Togo	20	20	50	50	20	10	90	80
Tunisia	-	-	10	10	10	10	20	20
Uganda	30	10	30	20	10	10	70	40
Uzbekistan	-	-	-	-	20	20	20	20
Various/Unknown	-	-	200	160	60	60	260	220
Viet Nam	630	370	520	520	520	170	1,670	1,060
Yemen	10	10	-	-	-	-	10	10
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	450	10	300	-	-	-	750	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,550</b>	<b>20,800</b>	<b>36,460</b>	<b>23,160</b>	<b>28,430</b>	<b>21,210</b>	<b>97,440</b>	<b>65,170</b>

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Table II.5 Major resettlement movements, 1996-1998

Origin	Country/territory of first asylum	Refugees resettled during 1996		Refugees resettled during 1997		Refugees resettled during 1998		Refugees resettled 1996-1998	
		Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted
Afghanistan	India	270	270	490	490	760	760	1,520	1,520
Afghanistan	Pakistan	30	30	30	30	210	210	270	270
Angola	Namibia	-	-	170	130	-	-	170	130
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	4,740	4,740	1,930	1,930	560	560	7,230	7,230
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Slovenia	10	10	250	10	50	-	310	20
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Turkey	180	-	40	-	-	-	220	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	1,860	1,860	9,110	1,610	6,240	1,340	17,210	4,810
Burundi	Kenya	50	-	40	30	30	30	120	60
Burundi	United Rep. of Tanzania	-	-	10	10	150	150	160	160
Croatia	Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	120	120	3,070	1,070	3,910	3,310	7,100	4,500
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Kenya	60	30	30	20	60	60	150	110
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Zambia	80	80	30	30	30	30	140	140
Eritrea	Sudan	160	10	130	130	210	-	500	140
Ethiopia	Kenya	180	20	100	40	210	210	490	270
Ethiopia	Sudan	170	20	90	90	320	-	580	110
Guatemala	Mexico	400	-	10	-	20	-	430	-
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Iraq	510	510	1,620	1,620	1,140	1,140	3,270	3,270
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Pakistan	170	170	410	280	610	610	1,190	1,060
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Spain	-	-	130	-	-	-	130	-
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Turkey	920	920	920	920	820	820	2,660	2,660
Iraq	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	70	70	40	40	40	40	150	150
Iraq	Jordan	820	820	1,030	1,030	890	890	2,740	2,740
Iraq	Kuwait	50	50	40	40	50	50	140	140
Iraq	Lebanon	80	80	100	100	170	170	350	350
Iraq	Pakistan	30	30	40	40	220	220	290	290
Iraq	Saudi Arabia	3,590	3,590	4,270	4,270	470	470	8,330	8,330
Iraq	Syrian Arab Rep.	400	400	470	470	890	890	1,760	1,760
Iraq	Turkey	560	560	620	620	770	770	1,950	1,950
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	Thailand	2,830	2,830	390	390	-	-	3,220	3,220
Liberia	Côte d'Ivoire	-	-	410	410	640	20	1,050	430
Liberia	Ghana	-	-	40	40	800	800	840	840
Myanmar	Thailand	330	330	530	530	230	230	1,090	1,090
Nigeria	Benin	70	70	30	30	300	300	400	400
Rwanda	Kenya	170	-	100	70	140	140	410	210

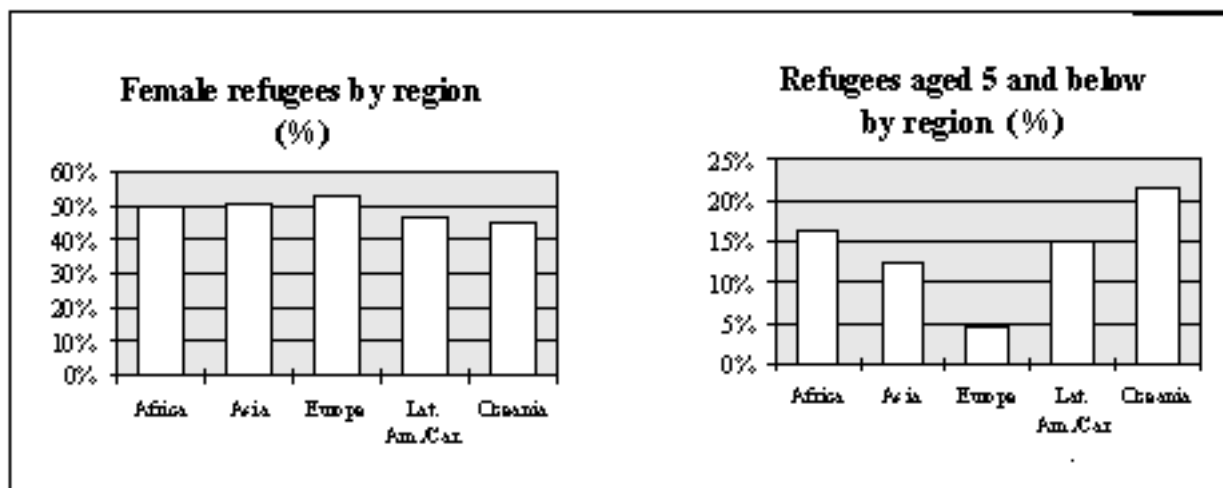
Rwanda	United Rep. of Tanzania	-	-	10	10	90	90	100	100
Sierra Leone	Gambia	-	-	10	10	130	130	140	140
Somalia	Djibouti	40	40	90	90	50	50	180	180
Somalia	Egypt	70	70	30	20	430	430	530	520
Somalia	Ethiopia	10	10	110	40	130	130	250	180
Somalia	Kenya	8,140	1,800	6,490	4,370	2,950	2,950	17,580	9,120
Somalia	Uganda	10	10	-	-	90	90	100	100
Sudan	Cuba	10	-	130	130	80	80	220	210
Sudan	Egypt	140	140	220	170	890	890	1,250	1,200
Sudan	Ethiopia	-	-	170	170	440	440	610	610
Sudan	Kenya	310	50	160	100	310	310	780	460
Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	3,000	-	-	-	-	-	3,000	-
Viet Nam	China	260	-	-	-	360	-	620	-
Viet Nam	Hong Kong, China	300	300	480	480	160	160	940	940
Yugoslavia, Fed, Rep. of	Bulgaria	100	-	-	-	-	-	100	-
Yugoslavia, Fed, Rep. of	Hungary	350	-	300	-	-	-	650	-

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### Chapter III. Refugee population: gender and age

The **demographic breakdown** is available for some 4.5 million, mostly UNHCR-assisted, refugees or one-third of the total refugee population (see Table III.1 to III.5). Whereas demographic information is often lacking for refugees located in the more developed countries, the breakdown by gender and age is available for the great majority of the refugees in the developing world. Thus, in Africa, demographic information is available on two-third of all refugees, in Latin America and the Caribbean this is 47 per cent and in Asia 41 per cent. In Europe, however, the demographic breakdown of less than 2 per cent of the total estimated number of refugees is available, whereas this is zero per cent in North America.

While some 50.4 per cent of global refugee population is female, sizeable differences exist between the various regions. In Africa, the percentage of **women** of all ages among the refugees is 50.1 per cent, in Asia this is 50.7 percent and in Europe 53.1 per cent. In Latin America and the Caribbean, female refugees constitute only 46.8 per cent of the refugee population (see box below).



The differences between the regions are much more profound in terms of **age breakdown**. The refugee population aged five and below, for instance, constitutes 15.2 per cent in Africa, compared to only 4.4 per cent in Europe (see box).

- [Table III.1](#) UNHCR-assisted refugees by gender and age, 1998
- [Table III.2](#) UNHCR-assisted refugees in camps by country, gender and age, 1998
- [Table III.3](#) UNHCR-assisted refugees in urban areas by gender and age, 1998
- [Table III.4](#) UNHCR-assisted refugees in rural areas by gender and age, 1998
- [Table III.5](#) UNHCR-assisted refugees by origin, gender and age, 1998



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Table III.1 UNHCR assisted refugees by gender and age, 1998

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				% <5	% fem.
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Burundi	20	30	40	-	10	20	20	10	20.0	60.0
Djibouti	770	5,100	5,400	300	590	5,000	4,000	270	6.3	54.0
Eritrea	260	400	490	40	300	400	560	50	22.4	47.6
Ethiopia	18,400	49,000	51,100	10,300	19,500	51,100	42,700	9,100	15.1	51.3
Kenya	13,200	38,300	52,600	2,100	14,900	37,800	76,900	2,300	11.8	44.6
Malawi	40	90	90	-	30	80	100	-	16.3	51.2
Rwanda	3,700	6,000	5,100	940	4,100	6,800	5,900	1,100	23.2	46.8
Somalia	20	40	90	-	30	50	110	-	14.7	44.1
Uganda	19,600	31,800	39,500	-	20,400	34,500	38,900	-	21.7	49.2
United Rep. of Tanzania	31,900	65,900	67,500	3,100	30,300	68,500	72,600	4,100	18.1	49.0
Zambia	13,500	29,200	36,400	4,700	12,600	29,500	37,600	5,000	15.5	49.7
Zimbabwe	20	50	150	-	20	60	170	-	8.5	46.8
<b>Eastern Africa</b>	<b>101,430</b>	<b>225,910</b>	<b>258,460</b>	<b>21,480</b>	<b>102,780</b>	<b>233,810</b>	<b>279,560</b>	<b>21,930</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>48.8</b>
Angola	710	2,100	2,500	160	690	2,000	2,300	120	13.2	51.7
Cameroon	470	1,100	1,400	540	540	1,500	3,300	200	11.2	38.8
Central African Rep.	3,800	6,700	8,400	-	4,100	8,900	11,100	-	18.4	44.0
Chad	610	90	3,000	-	1,100	2,500	1,400	-	19.7	42.5
Congo	530	540	1,400	10	480	740	2,500	-	16.3	40.0
Gabon	20	50	110	-	20	40	220	10	8.5	38.3
<b>Middle Africa</b>	<b>6,140</b>	<b>10,580</b>	<b>16,810</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>6,930</b>	<b>15,680</b>	<b>20,820</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>43.9</b>
Egypt	130	910	1,800	260	140	960	2,000	160	4.2	48.7
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	190	210	380	270	90	220	170	280	15.5	58.0
Sudan	17,500	29,700	34,000	-	16,400	32,200	29,700	-	21.3	50.9
Tunisia	10	20	80	10	10	30	110	10	7.1	42.9
<b>Northern Africa</b>	<b>17,830</b>	<b>30,840</b>	<b>36,260</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>16,640</b>	<b>33,410</b>	<b>31,980</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>50.9</b>
South Africa	-	310	600	-	-	500	3,700	10	0.0	17.8
Swaziland	30	60	80	20	30	60	310	10	10.0	31.7
<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>4,010</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>19.2</b>
Benin	140	330	690	10	120	380	1,100	10	9.4	42.1
Burkina Faso	10	50	130	-	20	110	250	-	5.3	33.3
Côte d'Ivoire	9,600	24,000	27,500	4,800	9,200	23,100	20,000	1,700	15.7	55.0
Gambia	140	440	760	80	70	290	540	50	8.9	59.9
Ghana	460	2,700	3,600	60	460	2,600	4,500	90	6.4	47.1
Guinea	35,300	106,900	71,600	8,800	33,700	92,500	58,600	6,400	16.7	53.8
Guinea-Bissau	350	1,100	1,100	140	400	1,200	1,100	570	12.6	45.1
Liberia	2,900	5,900	9,700	990	2,800	6,100	9,800	750	14.6	50.1
Mali (1)	30	90	60	10	40	80	220	10	13.0	35.2
Niger	60	720	1,200	30	120	400	1,100	20	4.9	55.1
Senegal	1,400	11,900	14,100	1,800	1,600	12,600	11,000	1,800	5.3	52.0
Togo	1,500	2,600	2,600	50	1,500	1,700	1,400	70	26.3	59.1
<b>Western Africa</b>	<b>51,890</b>	<b>156,730</b>	<b>133,040</b>	<b>16,770</b>	<b>50,030</b>	<b>141,060</b>	<b>109,610</b>	<b>11,470</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>53.4</b>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>177,320</b>	<b>424,430</b>	<b>445,250</b>	<b>39,520</b>	<b>176,410</b>	<b>424,520</b>	<b>445,980</b>	<b>34,200</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>50.1</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				% <5	% fem.
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
China	8,200	37,100	91,000	4,700	11,300	39,700	95,800	4,500	6.7	48.2
Hong Kong, China	30	90	210	-	20	70	610	10	4.8	31.7
<b>Eastern Asia</b>	<b>8,230</b>	<b>37,190</b>	<b>91,210</b>	<b>4,700</b>	<b>11,320</b>	<b>39,770</b>	<b>96,410</b>	<b>4,510</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>48.2</b>
Bangladesh	2,300	4,100	4,700	260	2,400	4,100	4,200	290	21.0	50.8
India	340	3,400	4,700	380	390	3,500	4,000	380	4.3	51.6
Kazakhstan	470	-	240	-	470	-	150	-	70.7	53.4
Nepal	6,200	16,500	22,200	1,900	6,500	16,600	23,100	2,700	13.3	48.9
Pakistan	97,500	230,100	306,100	30	87,500	206,400	274,800	20	15.4	52.7
Tajikistan	10	60	120	10	10	70	130	10	4.8	47.6
Turkmenistan	480	460	340	120	240	360	430	170	27.7	53.8
<b>South-central Asia</b>	<b>107,300</b>	<b>254,620</b>	<b>338,400</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>97,510</b>	<b>231,030</b>	<b>306,810</b>	<b>3,570</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>52.4</b>
Malaysia	-	-	20	-	10	10	60	-	10.0	20.0
Philippines	10	10	20	-	10	10	80	-	14.3	28.6
Thailand (2)	110	270	640	20	130	280	1,900	40	7.1	30.7
<b>South-eastern Asia</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>2,040</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>30.3</b>
Armenia (3)	3,100	9,300	51,600	44,200	2,900	9,100	60,900	56,800	2.5	45.5
Iraq	2,100	5,700	4,900	510	2,200	6,200	4,700	670	15.9	49.0
Jordan	30	100	200	20	40	130	240	20	9.0	44.9
Kuwait	30	170	250	10	30	220	280	20	5.9	45.5
Lebanon	150	370	640	-	160	400	1,400	40	9.8	36.7
Saudi Arabia	340	720	590	50	330	730	2,700	50	12.2	30.9
Syrian Arab Rep.	200	860	1,600	110	240	910	1,700	110	7.7	48.3
Turkey	100	380	640	80	80	400	800	60	7.1	47.2
Yemen	2,000	7,000	12,600	660	2,100	7,000	11,600	400	9.5	51.3
<b>Western Asia</b>	<b>8,050</b>	<b>24,600</b>	<b>73,020</b>	<b>45,640</b>	<b>8,080</b>	<b>25,090</b>	<b>84,320</b>	<b>58,170</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>46.3</b>
<b>Asia</b>	<b>123,700</b>	<b>316,690</b>	<b>503,310</b>	<b>53,060</b>	<b>117,060</b>	<b>296,190</b>	<b>489,580</b>	<b>66,290</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>50.7</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				% <5	% fem.
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Belarus	10	150	170	20	20	140	30	30	5.3	61.4
Bulgaria	-	50	50	-	-	-	140	-	0.0	41.7
Romania	20	40	60	-	10	40	170	-	8.8	35.3
Russian Federation	10	20	30	-	10	20	90	10	10.5	31.6
Slovakia	-	20	50	10	10	10	160	10	3.7	29.6
Ukraine	100	170	500	10	90	170	190	10	15.3	62.9
<b>Eastern Europe</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>52.3</b>
Albania (4)	570	2,200	5,500	600	610	3,000	7,100	360	5.9	44.5
Bosnia and Herzegovina	120	270	380	20	140	110	680	20	14.9	45.4
Croatia	270	2,500	8,700	5,800	290	2,800	5,000	3,600	1.9	59.6
FYR Macedonia	50	160	300	30	50	160	220	30	10.0	54.0
<b>Southern Europe</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>5,130</b>	<b>14,880</b>	<b>6,450</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>6,070</b>	<b>13,000</b>	<b>4,010</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>53.2</b>
<b>Europe</b>	<b>1,150</b>	<b>5,580</b>	<b>15,740</b>	<b>6,490</b>	<b>1,230</b>	<b>6,450</b>	<b>13,780</b>	<b>4,070</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>53.1</b>

Region and country/territory	Females	Males	%	%
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of asylum	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	<5	fem.
Cuba	-	-	160	-	-	-	810	-	0.0	16.5
<b>Caribbean</b>	-	-	160	-	-	-	810	-	0.0	16.5
Belize	220	890	480	120	220	890	480	120	12.9	50.0
Guatemala	20	90	310	-	20	70	310	-	4.9	51.2
Mexico	2,200	5,400	4,600	290	2,200	5,500	4,700	270	17.5	49.6
<b>Central America</b>	2,440	6,380	5,390	410	2,440	6,460	5,490	390	16.6	49.7
Argentina	20	30	290	10	30	30	750	10	4.3	29.9
Bolivia	10	10	130	-	-	20	190	-	2.8	41.7
Brazil	80	120	280	-	80	140	1,000	-	9.4	28.2
Chile	10	30	90	-	10	30	110	-	7.1	46.4
Colombia	-	10	60	10	-	30	100	20	0.0	34.8
Ecuador	-	30	70	10	10	40	90	10	3.8	42.3
Venezuela	-	20	50	10	-	20	50	10	0.0	50.0
<b>South America</b>	120	250	970	40	130	310	2,290	50	6.0	33.2
<b>Latin America and Car.</b>	2,560	6,630	6,520	450	2,570	6,770	8,590	440	14.9	46.8

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				% <5	% fem.
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Papua New Guinea	360	570	740	-	430	740	860	-	21.4	45.1
<b>Melanesia</b>	360	570	740	-	430	740	860	-	21.4	45.1
<b>Oceania</b>	360	570	740	-	430	740	860	-	21.4	45.1

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				% <5	% fem.
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
<b>Total</b>	<b>305,090</b>	<b>753,900</b>	<b>971,560</b>	<b>99,520</b>	<b>297,700</b>	<b>734,670</b>	<b>958,790</b>	<b>105,000</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>50.4</b>

#### Notes

Populations of 100 and above only.

(1) Of the 12,000 UNHCR assisted refugees, some 5,700 (48%) were female (breakdown by age not available).

(2) Of the 138,300 UNHCR assisted refugees, some 65,800 (48%) were female (breakdown by age not available).

(3) Of the 310,000 UNHCR assisted refugees, some 141,900 (46%) were female (breakdown by age not available).

(4) Of the 21,800 UNHCR assisted refugees, some 9,500 (44%) were female (breakdown by age not available).

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Table III.2 UNHCR assisted refugees in camps by gender and age, 1998

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Djibouti	770	5,100	5,400	300	590	5,000	4,000	270	6.3	54.0
Eritrea	260	400	490	40	300	400	560	50	22.4	47.6
Ethiopia	18,300	49,000	51,000	10,300	19,500	51,000	42,500	9,100	15.1	51.3
Kenya	10,100	29,500	39,700	1,800	11,300	34,700	48,000	1,800	12.1	45.8
Malawi	40	90	90	-	30	80	100	-	16.3	51.2
Rwanda	3,600	5,700	4,800	890	4,100	6,500	5,500	1,000	24.0	46.7
Somalia	10	30	60	-	20	30	80	-	13.0	43.5
Uganda	19,500	31,700	39,400	-	20,300	34,400	38,700	-	21.6	49.2
United Rep. of Tanzania	31,500	65,300	66,600	3,100	29,900	67,700	71,600	4,000	18.1	49.0
Zambia	2,700	5,900	7,300	930	2,500	6,500	7,900	980	15.0	48.5
<b>Eastern Africa</b>	<b>86,780</b>	<b>192,720</b>	<b>214,840</b>	<b>17,360</b>	<b>88,540</b>	<b>206,310</b>	<b>218,940</b>	<b>17,200</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>49.1</b>
Angola	710	2,000	2,500	160	680	2,000	2,200	120	13.4	51.8
Cameroon	290	390	430	-	310	470	510	-	25.0	46.3
Central African Rep.	3,600	6,500	8,000	-	3,900	8,600	10,500	-	18.2	44.0
Congo	520	430	1,200	10	480	570	2,000	-	19.2	41.5
<b>Middle Africa</b>	<b>5,120</b>	<b>9,320</b>	<b>12,130</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>5,370</b>	<b>11,640</b>	<b>15,210</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>45.3</b>
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	120	120	180	180	40	120	80	160	16.0	60.0
Sudan	17,500	29,700	34,000	-	16,400	32,200	29,700	-	21.3	50.9
<b>Northern Africa</b>	<b>17,620</b>	<b>29,820</b>	<b>34,180</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>16,440</b>	<b>32,320</b>	<b>29,780</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>51.0</b>
Swaziland	10	20	20	-	10	10	40	-	18.2	45.5
<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>45.5</b>
Benin	60	80	180	-	60	140	540	10	11.2	29.9
Côte d'Ivoire	360	900	1,000	180	350	870	750	60	15.9	54.6
Gambia	90	250	420	20	40	170	300	20	9.9	59.5
Ghana	410	2,600	3,300	40	420	2,500	4,100	70	6.2	47.2
Guinea	35,300	106,800	71,500	8,800	33,600	92,400	58,400	6,400	16.7	53.8
Guinea-Bissau	60	110	120	10	70	180	110	10	19.4	44.8
Liberia	2,900	5,900	9,700	990	2,800	6,100	9,700	750	14.7	50.2
Niger	10	40	30	10	10	40	20	10	11.8	52.9
Senegal	1,400	11,900	14,000	1,800	1,600	12,600	10,900	1,800	5.4	52.0
Togo	1,500	2,600	2,500	50	1,500	1,700	1,300	70	26.7	59.3
<b>Western Africa</b>	<b>42,090</b>	<b>131,180</b>	<b>102,750</b>	<b>11,900</b>	<b>40,450</b>	<b>116,700</b>	<b>86,120</b>	<b>9,200</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>53.3</b>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>151,620</b>	<b>363,060</b>	<b>363,920</b>	<b>29,610</b>	<b>150,810</b>	<b>366,980</b>	<b>350,090</b>	<b>26,680</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>50.4</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
China	8,200	37,100	91,000	4,700	11,300	39,700	95,700	4,500	6.7	48.3
Hong Kong, China	30	90	210	-	20	70	600	10	4.9	32.0
Japan	-	-	10	-	-	-	10	-	0.0	50.0
<b>Eastern Asia</b>	<b>8,230</b>	<b>37,190</b>	<b>91,220</b>	<b>4,700</b>	<b>11,320</b>	<b>39,770</b>	<b>96,310</b>	<b>4,510</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>48.2</b>
Bangladesh	2,300	4,100	4,700	250	2,400	4,000	4,100	290	21.2	51.3

Nepal	6,200	16,500	22,200	1,900	6,500	16,600	23,100	2,700	13.3	48.9
Pakistan	97,400	229,700	305,600	-	87,400	205,900	274,000	-	15.4	52.7
Turkmenistan	100	150	100	50	50	100	100	50	21.4	57.1
<b>South-central Asia</b>	<b>106,000</b>	<b>250,450</b>	<b>332,600</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>96,350</b>	<b>226,600</b>	<b>301,300</b>	<b>3,040</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>52.4</b>
Indonesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	0.0	0.0
Thailand	40	70	150	10	40	80	390	20	10.0	33.8
<b>South-eastern Asia</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>33.3</b>
Iraq	2,100	5,700	4,900	510	2,200	6,200	4,700	670	15.9	49.0
Kuwait	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	0.0	0.0
Saudi Arabia	340	720	590	50	330	730	2,700	50	12.2	30.9
Syrian Arab Rep.	30	210	270	10	50	200	340	-	7.2	46.8
Turkey	10	30	70	20	10	50	70	10	7.4	48.1
Yemen	570	1,900	2,500	70	630	2,000	2,400	50	11.9	49.8
<b>Western Asia</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>8,560</b>	<b>8,330</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>3,220</b>	<b>9,180</b>	<b>10,220</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>46.8</b>
<b>Asia</b>	<b>117,320</b>	<b>296,270</b>	<b>432,300</b>	<b>7,570</b>	<b>110,930</b>	<b>275,630</b>	<b>408,230</b>	<b>8,350</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>51.5</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Czech Rep.	-	-	20	-	-	10	40	-	0.0	28.6
Romania	20	40	60	-	10	40	170	-	8.8	35.3
<b>Eastern Europe</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>34.1</b>
Albania	20	160	150	10	10	90	180	10	4.8	54.0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	120	270	380	20	140	110	680	20	14.9	45.4
Croatia	50	330	1,400	900	50	410	1,100	610	2.1	55.3
FYR Macedonia	10	30	60	10	10	20	50	10	10.0	55.0
<b>Southern Europe</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>1,990</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>52.8</b>
<b>Europe</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>2,070</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>2,220</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>51.9</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Mexico	2,200	5,300	4,300	260	2,200	5,300	4,400	250	18.2	49.8
<b>Central America</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>49.8</b>
<b>Latin America and Car.</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>5,300</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>49.8</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Papua New Guinea	360	570	740	-	430	740	860	-	21.4	45.1
<b>Melanesia</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>45.1</b>
<b>Oceania</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>45.1</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
<b>Total</b>	<b>271,720</b>	<b>666,030</b>	<b>803,330</b>	<b>38,380</b>	<b>264,590</b>	<b>649,330</b>	<b>765,800</b>	<b>35,930</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>50.9</b>

See Notes, [Table III.1](#)

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Table III.3 UNHCR assisted refugees in urban areas by gender and age, 1998

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Burundi	20	30	40	-	10	20	20	10	20.0	60.0
Ethiopia	50	50	100	-	70	80	140	-	24.5	40.8
Kenya	3,200	8,800	12,900	360	3,600	3,100	28,900	450	11.1	41.2
Rwanda	60	230	300	50	60	290	440	50	8.1	43.2
Somalia	10	10	30	-	10	20	30	-	18.2	45.5
Uganda	30	70	150	-	30	80	150	-	11.8	49.0
United Rep. of Tanzania	380	630	850	50	380	820	1,000	60	18.2	45.8
Zambia	1,100	2,500	2,900	380	990	2,500	3,200	380	15.0	49.3
Zimbabwe	20	50	150	-	20	60	170	-	8.5	46.8
<b>Eastern Africa</b>	<b>4,870</b>	<b>12,370</b>	<b>17,420</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>6,970</b>	<b>34,050</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>43.0</b>
Angola	10	30	40	-	10	20	110	-	9.1	36.4
Cameroon	180	670	990	540	230	1,000	2,800	200	6.2	36.0
Central African Rep.	220	220	370	-	250	310	580	-	24.1	41.5
Chad	-	-	40	-	10	20	240	-	3.2	12.9
Congo	10	110	160	-	-	170	500	-	1.1	29.5
Gabon	20	50	110	-	20	40	220	10	8.5	38.3
<b>Middle Africa</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>1,710</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>1,560</b>	<b>4,450</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>35.9</b>
Egypt	130	910	1,800	260	140	960	2,000	160	4.2	48.7
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	70	90	200	90	50	100	90	120	14.8	55.6
Tunisia	10	20	80	10	10	30	110	10	7.1	42.9
<b>Northern Africa</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>2,080</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>49.3</b>
South Africa	-	310	600	-	-	500	3,700	10	0.0	17.8
Swaziland	10	40	60	20	30	40	260	10	8.5	27.7
<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>3,960</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>18.6</b>
Benin	80	260	510	10	60	240	550	10	8.1	50.0
Burkina Faso	10	50	130	-	20	110	250	-	5.3	33.3
Côte d'Ivoire	60	120	100	10	50	100	220	30	15.9	42.0
Gambia	50	180	340	60	30	130	240	30	7.5	59.4
Ghana	20	50	110	10	10	60	150	10	7.1	45.2
Guinea	40	80	100	10	30	110	130	10	13.7	45.1
Guinea-Bissau	-	10	40	-	40	-	160	340	6.8	8.5
Mali	30	90	60	10	40	80	220	10	13.0	35.2
Niger	10	20	20	-	10	-	190	-	8.0	20.0
Senegal	10	20	50	-	10	30	110	-	8.7	34.8
Togo	30	20	70	-	30	20	110	-	21.4	42.9
<b>Western Africa</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>1,530</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>2,330</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>42.0</b>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>5,870</b>	<b>15,720</b>	<b>23,400</b>	<b>1,870</b>	<b>6,250</b>	<b>11,040</b>	<b>46,990</b>	<b>1,910</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>41.5</b>

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
India	340	3,400	4,700	380	390	3,500	4,000	380	4.3	51.6

Kazakhstan	470	-	240	-	470	-	150	-	70.7	53.4
Pakistan	100	400	540	30	120	500	760	20	8.9	43.3
Tajikistan	10	60	120	10	10	70	130	10	4.8	47.6
Turkmenistan	180	110	90	20	90	110	230	70	30.0	44.4
<b>South-central Asia</b>	1,100	3,970	5,690	440	1,080	4,180	5,270	480	9.8	50.4
Malaysia	-	-	20	-	10	10	60	-	10.0	20.0
Philippines	10	10	20	-	10	10	80	-	14.3	28.6
Thailand	80	200	490	10	90	210	1,500	30	6.5	29.9
<b>South-eastern Asia</b>	90	210	530	10	110	230	1,640	30	7.0	29.5
Jordan	30	100	200	20	40	130	240	20	9.0	44.9
Kuwait	30	170	250	10	30	220	270	20	6.0	46.0
Lebanon	150	370	640	-	160	400	1,400	40	9.8	36.7
Syrian Arab Rep.	70	360	730	30	90	410	730	40	6.5	48.4
Turkey	90	340	570	60	70	360	740	40	7.0	46.7
Yemen	1,400	5,100	10,100	600	1,500	5,000	9,100	350	8.7	51.9
<b>Western Asia</b>	1,770	6,440	12,490	720	1,890	6,520	12,480	510	8.5	50.0
<b>Asia</b>	2,960	10,620	18,710	1,170	3,080	10,930	19,390	1,020	8.9	49.3

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Belarus	10	150	170	20	20	140	30	30	5.3	61.4
Bulgaria	-	50	50	-	-	-	140	-	0.0	41.7
Russian Federation	10	20	30	-	10	20	90	10	10.5	31.6
Slovakia	-	20	50	10	10	10	160	10	3.7	29.6
Ukraine	100	170	500	10	90	170	190	10	15.3	62.9
<b>Eastern Europe</b>	120	410	800	40	130	340	610	60	10.0	54.6
Albania	290	1,200	3,400	300	300	1,000	5,400	190	4.9	43.0
Croatia	230	2,200	7,400	4,900	240	2,400	3,900	3,000	1.9	60.7
FYR Macedonia	40	130	240	20	40	140	170	20	10.0	53.8
<b>Southern Europe</b>	560	3,530	11,040	5,220	580	3,540	9,470	3,210	3.1	54.8
<b>Europe</b>	680	3,940	11,840	5,260	710	3,880	10,080	3,270	3.5	54.8

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Cuba	-	-	160	-	-	-	810	-	0.0	16.5
Caribbean	-	-	160	-	-	-	810	-	0.0	16.5
Belize	40	160	90	20	40	160	90	20	12.9	50.0
Guatemala	20	90	310	-	20	70	310	-	4.9	51.2
Mexico	10	130	300	30	10	200	280	20	2.0	48.0
<b>Central America</b>	70	380	700	50	70	430	680	40	5.8	49.6
Argentina	20	30	290	10	30	30	750	10	4.3	29.9
Bolivia	10	10	130	-	-	20	190	-	2.8	41.7
Brazil	80	120	280	-	80	140	1,000	-	9.4	28.2
Chile	10	30	90	-	10	30	110	-	7.1	46.4
Colombia	-	10	60	10	-	30	100	20	0.0	34.8
Ecuador	-	30	70	10	10	40	90	10	3.8	42.3
Venezuela	-	20	50	10	-	20	50	10	0.0	50.0
<b>South America</b>	120	250	970	40	130	310	2,290	50	6.0	33.2



<b>Latin America and Car.</b>	190	630	1,830	90	200	740	3,780	90	5.2	36.3
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Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
<b>Total</b>	9,700	30,910	55,780	8,390	10,240	26,590	80,240	6,290	8.7	45.9

See Notes, [Table III.1](#)

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Table III.4 UNHCR assisted refugees in rural areas by gender and age, 1998

Region and country/territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5 (%)	Fem. (%)
	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >		
Zambia	9,800	20,900	26,200	3,400	9,100	20,500	26,500	3,600	15.8	50.3
<b>Eastern Africa</b>	9,800	20,900	26,200	3,400	9,100	20,500	26,500	3,600	15.8	50.3
Angola	-	-	10	-	-	10	10	-	0.0	33.3
Chad	610	90	3,000	-	1,100	2,500	1,200	-	20.1	43.5
<b>Middle Africa</b>	610	90	3,010	-	1,100	2,510	1,210	-	20.0	43.5
Côte d'Ivoire	9,200	22,900	26,400	4,600	8,800	22,100	19,000	1,600	15.7	55.1
Ghana	40	50	240	10	30	70	270	20	9.6	46.6
Guinea-Bissau	300	930	940	130	300	980	860	220	12.9	49.4
Niger	40	660	1,200	20	110	360	910	10	4.5	58.0
<b>Western Africa</b>	9,580	24,540	28,780	4,760	9,240	23,510	21,040	1,850	15.3	54.9
<b>Africa</b>	19,990	45,530	57,990	8,160	19,440	46,520	48,750	5,450	15.7	52.3
Turkmenistan	200	200	150	50	100	150	100	50	30.0	60.0
<b>South-central Asia</b>	200	200	150	50	100	150	100	50	30.0	60.0
Syrian Arab Rep.	100	300	600	80	100	300	600	80	9.3	50.0
<b>Western Asia</b>	100	300	600	80	100	300	600	80	9.3	50.0
<b>Asia</b>	300	500	750	130	200	450	700	130	15.8	53.2
Albania	260	930	1,900	300	300	1,900	1,600	160	7.6	46.1
<b>Southern Europe</b>	260	930	1,900	300	300	1,900	1,600	160	7.6	46.1
<b>Europe</b>	260	930	1,900	300	300	1,900	1,600	160	7.6	46.1
Belize	180	730	390	100	180	730	390	100	12.9	50.0
Honduras	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	0.0	0.0
<b>Central America</b>	180	730	390	100	180	730	400	100	12.8	49.8
<b>Latin America and Car.</b>	180	730	390	100	180	730	400	100	12.8	49.8
<b>Total</b>	20,730	47,690	61,030	8,690	20,120	49,600	51,450	5,840	15.4	52.1

See Notes, [Table III.1](#)

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Table III.5 UNHCR assisted refugees by origin, gender and age, end-1998

Origin	Country/ territory of asylum	Females				Males				< 5	Fem.
		0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	0-4	5-17	18-59	60 and >	(%)	(%)
Afghanistan	Belarus	10	130	170	20	20	130	30	30	5.6	61.1
Afghanistan	Bulgaria	-	30	30	-	-	-	40	-	0.0	60.0
Afghanistan	India	310	3,300	4,500	370	360	3,400	3,500	360	4.2	52.7
Afghanistan	Kazakhstan	180	-	100	-	180	-	70	-	67.9	52.8
Afghanistan	Pakistan	97,400	229,700	305,600	-	87,400	205,900	274,000	-	15.4	52.7
Afghanistan	Saudi Arabia	10	20	40	-	-	30	50	10	6.3	43.8
Afghanistan	Slovakia	-	10	20	-	10	-	100	10	6.7	20.0
Afghanistan	Tajikistan	10	60	120	10	10	70	130	10	4.8	47.6
Afghanistan	Turkmenistan	280	260	190	70	140	210	330	120	26.3	50.0
Afghanistan	Ukraine	10	50	50	10	20	60	70	10	10.7	42.9
Algeria	Tunisia	-	10	40	-	10	20	40	-	8.3	41.7
Angola	Brazil	50	80	140	-	60	80	460	-	12.6	31.0
Angola	Congo	-	-	-	-	-	10	90	-	0.0	0.0
Angola	Ukraine	20	20	150	-	30	20	10	-	20.0	76.0
Angola	Zambia	9,800	20,900	26,200	3,400	9,100	20,500	26,500	3,600	15.8	50.3
Azerbaijan	Armenia	3,070	9,340	51,500	44,350	2,890	9,140	60,800	56,840	2.5	45.5
Bhutan	Nepal	6,210	16,700	22,200	1,910	6,490	16,600	23,000	2,670	13.3	49.1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	270	2,530	8,600	5,800	290	2,710	4,900	3,510	2.0	60.1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	FYR Macedonia	20	70	150	20	20	60	140	20	8.0	52.0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Turkey	20	80	180	50	10	90	170	30	4.8	52.4
Burundi	Cameroon	20	80	80	60	10	40	60	10	8.3	66.7
Burundi	Kenya	30	60	140	-	30	40	260	-	10.7	41.1
Burundi	Rwanda	70	230	300	40	80	280	400	40	10.4	44.4
Burundi	Swaziland	-	10	10	-	10	10	60	-	10.0	20.0
Burundi	United Rep. of Tanzania	25,180	53,080	53,550	1,390	23,550	56,560	61,010	2,270	17.6	48.2
Cambodia	Thailand	20	60	90	-	20	80	150	-	9.5	40.5
Chad	Burkina Faso	-	10	10	-	10	30	40	-	10.0	20.0
Chad	Cameroon	370	650	800	430	480	1,020	2,010	130	14.4	38.2
Chad	Congo	-	50	70	-	-	60	110	-	0.0	41.4
Chad	Niger	10	40	30	10	10	40	20	10	11.8	52.9
Colombia	Ecuador	-	10	40	-	10	20	40	-	8.3	41.7
Congo	Cameroon	10	10	20	-	-	20	40	-	10.0	40.0
Congo	Côte d'Ivoire	10	20	10	-	10	20	30	-	20.0	40.0
Congo	Gabon	10	20	30	-	10	20	40	-	15.4	46.2
Congo	Ukraine	10	20	60	-	10	20	10	-	15.4	69.2
Cuba	Argentina	-	-	50	-	-	-	140	-	0.0	26.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Angola	700	1,980	2,470	180	690	1,980	2,230	130	13.4	51.4
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Benin	-	30	40	-	-	10	60	-	0.0	50.0

Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Brazil	-	10	20	-	10	10	70	-	8.3	25.0
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Burundi	10	30	30	-	10	20	10	10	16.7	58.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Cameroon	20	40	80	-	-	40	80	-	7.7	53.8
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Congo	10	50	70	-	-	60	110	-	3.3	43.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Kenya	20	40	80	-	20	50	170	-	10.5	36.8
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Malawi	10	30	20	-	10	30	30	-	15.4	46.2
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Rwanda	3,550	5,710	4,900	890	4,040	6,420	5,580	1,010	23.6	46.9
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Sudan	150	20	20	-	80	30	30	-	69.7	57.6
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Swaziland	10	10	10	10	10	10	40	-	20.0	40.0
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Uganda	800	950	920	-	690	930	1,020	-	28.1	50.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United Rep. of Tanzania	5,900	11,500	12,200	1,560	5,820	10,200	9,400	1,640	20.1	53.5
El Salvador	Belize	30	110	60	20	30	110	60	20	13.6	50.0
El Salvador	Belize	130	500	270	70	130	500	270	70	13.4	50.0
El Salvador	Guatemala	10	20	70	-	10	20	70	-	10.0	50.0
El Salvador	Mexico	-	60	140	20	10	90	100	10	2.3	51.2
Eritrea	Sudan	16,460	27,550	31,340	-	15,410	29,790	27,240	-	21.6	51.0
Ethiopia	Djibouti	100	120	350	40	30	150	400	10	10.8	50.8
Ethiopia	Kenya	360	1,150	1,510	30	320	740	3,940	40	8.4	37.7
Ethiopia	Somalia	20	40	90	-	30	50	110	-	14.7	44.1
Ethiopia	Sudan	870	2,030	2,700	-	870	2,350	2,290	-	15.7	50.4
Ethiopia	Yemen	20	20	440	10	20	30	690	10	3.2	39.5
Ghana	Togo	1,480	2,610	2,540	50	1,470	1,660	1,330	70	26.3	59.6
Guatemala	Belize	60	220	120	40	60	220	120	40	13.6	50.0
Guatemala	Mexico	2,200	5,390	4,410	270	2,160	5,360	4,510	260	17.8	50.0
Guinea-Bissau	Gambia	10	20	40	-	10	10	30	-	16.7	58.3
Guinea-Bissau	Guinea	120	540	440	30	110	510	370	20	10.7	52.8
Guinea-Bissau	Senegal	20	100	280	-	20	90	260	-	5.2	51.9
Indonesia	Papua New Guinea	360	570	740	-	430	740	860	-	21.4	45.1
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	India	-	20	60	-	-	20	80	10	0.0	42.1
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Iraq	1,200	3,200	2,800	260	1,300	3,800	2,800	410	15.9	47.3
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Pakistan	10	70	100	10	20	70	190	-	6.4	40.4
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Turkey	10	70	140	-	-	80	230	-	1.9	41.5
Iraq	Jordan	30	90	180	10	30	110	210	10	9.0	46.3
Iraq	Kuwait	10	70	120	10	20	110	140	10	6.1	42.9
Iraq	Lebanon	110	300	490	-	120	330	880	30	10.2	39.8
Iraq	Pakistan	40	140	180	10	50	160	260	10	10.6	43.5
Iraq	Saudi Arabia	330	690	560	50	320	700	2,700	50	12.0	30.2
Iraq	Syrian Arab Rep.	170	660	1,120	100	200	670	1,170	100	8.8	48.9
Iraq	Turkey	40	120	190	10	50	140	200	-	12.0	48.0
Iraq	Ukraine	10	30	50	-	10	10	20	-	15.4	69.2
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	Thailand	10	40	40	10	10	50	40	10	9.5	47.6
Liberia	Brazil	10	-	10	-	-	-	190	-	4.8	9.5
Liberia	Cameroon	-	20	40	-	-	40	70	-	0.0	35.3
Liberia	Côte d'Ivoire	9,460	23,500	27,000	4,680	9,050	22,770	19,550	1,660	15.7	54.9

Liberia	Ghana	380	2,520	3,040	30	390	2,420	3,680	70	6.1	47.6
Liberia	Guinea	10,300	30,300	17,800	3,000	10,300	22,500	18,000	2,100	18.0	53.7
Liberia	Guinea-Bissau	-	10	10	-	-	-	160	-	0.0	11.1
Liberia	Mali	10	30	20	-	-	20	20	-	10.0	60.0
Mali	Niger	40	660	1,200	20	110	360	910	10	4.5	58.0
Mauritania	Senegal	1,380	11,900	13,800	1,770	1,540	12,500	10,600	1,800	5.3	52.2
Myanmar	Bangladesh	2,300	4,100	4,700	250	2,400	4,000	4,100	290	21.2	51.3
Myanmar	India	30	50	140	-	20	60	280	10	8.5	37.3
Myanmar	Thailand	80	150	460	10	90	140	1,460	20	7.1	29.0
Nicaragua	Belize	10	30	20	-	10	30	20	-	16.7	50.0
Nicaragua	Guatemala	10	70	230	-	10	50	220	-	3.4	52.5
Nigeria	Benin	50	50	110	-	40	80	380	-	12.7	29.6
Palestinians	Kuwait	20	100	120	10	10	110	110	20	6.0	50.0
Palestinians	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	60	80	140	90	50	80	30	90	17.7	59.7
Peru	Argentina	10	10	150	-	20	10	220	-	7.1	40.5
Peru	Bolivia	10	10	120	-	-	20	170	-	3.0	42.4
Peru	Chile	-	30	70	-	10	20	70	-	5.0	50.0
Russian Federation	Kazakhstan	120	-	90	-	120	-	20	-	68.6	60.0
Rwanda	Angola	10	40	30	-	10	40	30	-	12.5	50.0
Rwanda	Benin	20	30	90	-	10	40	100	-	10.3	48.3
Rwanda	Burkina Faso	-	10	30	-	10	40	60	-	6.7	26.7
Rwanda	Cameroon	40	200	300	50	40	280	380	50	6.0	44.0
Rwanda	Congo	520	430	1,210	10	480	570	1,940	-	19.4	42.1
Rwanda	Côte d'Ivoire	10	30	30	-	20	40	90	10	13.0	30.4
Rwanda	Kenya	190	450	1,170	-	810	900	5,160	-	11.5	20.9
Rwanda	Malawi	10	20	30	-	10	20	20	-	18.2	54.5
Rwanda	Togo	20	20	60	-	30	10	70	-	23.8	47.6
Rwanda	Uganda	790	1,480	1,360	-	830	1,600	1,340	-	21.9	49.1
Rwanda	United Rep. of Tanzania	510	700	900	70	480	920	1,100	90	20.8	45.7
Rwanda	Zimbabwe	10	10	40	-	-	20	50	-	7.7	46.2
Senegal	Gambia	60	110	150	20	10	70	130	20	12.3	59.6
Senegal	Guinea-Bissau	360	1,040	1,060	140	370	1,160	970	230	13.7	48.8
Sierra Leone	Côte d'Ivoire	120	300	350	60	120	290	250	20	15.9	55.0
Sierra Leone	Gambia	60	280	520	60	40	200	350	30	6.5	59.7
Sierra Leone	Ghana	30	90	220	10	20	100	280	10	6.6	46.1
Sierra Leone	Guinea	24,830	76,070	53,390	5,710	23,230	69,400	40,170	4,300	16.2	53.9
Sierra Leone	Guinea-Bissau	-	-	30	-	40	-	-	320	10.3	7.7
Sierra Leone	Liberia	2,860	5,860	9,620	990	2,850	6,100	9,730	760	14.7	49.9
Sierra Leone	Mali	10	40	30	10	30	40	180	10	11.4	25.7
Somalia	Djibouti	680	5,000	5,100	260	550	4,900	3,600	260	6.0	54.3
Somalia	Egypt	30	470	1,000	110	30	530	860	70	1.9	51.9
Somalia	Eritrea	250	390	470	40	290	390	460	50	23.1	49.1
Somalia	Ethiopia	12,080	40,800	37,400	8,390	13,530	41,200	31,300	7,530	13.3	51.3
Somalia	India	-	30	40	10	10	30	70	-	5.3	42.1
Somalia	Kenya	9,700	29,100	39,900	1,770	10,190	26,300	45,900	1,750	12.1	48.9
Somalia	Lebanon	10	-	30	-	-	10	110	-	6.3	25.0
Somalia	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	120	120	180	180	40	120	80	160	16.0	60.0
Somalia	Malawi	10	40	30	-	10	30	30	-	13.3	53.3
Somalia	Pakistan	30	150	180	10	30	210	170	10	7.6	46.8
Somalia	Russian Federation	10	10	20	-	10	20	80	-	13.3	26.7

Somalia	Syrian Arab Rep.	10	80	200	10	10	90	160	-	3.6	53.6
Somalia	Uganda	90	240	510	-	140	260	510	-	13.1	48.0
Somalia	United Rep. of Tanzania	380	630	850	50	380	820	1,000	60	18.2	45.8
Somalia	Yemen	1,950	6,930	12,240	650	2,090	6,940	10,770	400	9.6	51.9
Sri Lanka	Thailand	-	10	30	-	-	10	120	-	0.0	23.5
Stateless	Kenya	10	40	90	-	-	30	130	-	3.3	46.7
Sudan	Central African Rep.	3,600	6,500	8,000	-	3,900	8,600	10,500	-	18.2	44.0
Sudan	Chad	610	90	3,010	-	1,110	2,520	1,360	-	19.8	42.6
Sudan	Egypt	80	260	460	20	80	260	610	30	8.9	45.6
Sudan	Eritrea	10	10	20	-	10	10	90	-	13.3	26.7
Sudan	Ethiopia	6,240	8,220	13,600	1,940	5,930	9,800	11,200	1,590	20.8	51.3
Sudan	Kenya	2,760	6,610	8,870	310	3,250	8,840	17,110	420	12.5	38.5
Sudan	Lebanon	20	30	70	-	30	30	240	-	11.9	28.6
Sudan	Syrian Arab Rep.	10	10	20	-	10	10	40	-	20.0	40.0
Sudan	Uganda	17,950	29,060	36,570	-	18,690	31,620	35,860	-	21.6	49.2
Sudan	Zimbabwe	10	10	20	-	10	10	50	-	18.2	36.4
Tajikistan	Kazakhstan	170	-	60	-	170	-	60	-	73.9	50.0
Tajikistan	Turkmenistan	200	200	150	50	100	150	100	50	30.0	60.0
Togo	Benin	60	200	390	10	60	210	390	10	9.0	49.6
Togo	Ghana	60	90	310	10	40	110	410	20	9.5	44.8
Turkey	Iraq	920	2,430	2,110	250	950	2,420	1,870	260	16.7	50.9
Uganda	Kenya	150	750	700	-	230	800	3,330	10	6.4	26.8
Viet Nam	China	8,160	37,040	91,060	4,680	11,380	39,770	95,880	4,480	6.7	48.2
Viet Nam	Hong Kong, China	30	90	210	-	20	70	600	10	4.9	32.0
Western Sahara	Cuba	-	-	140	-	-	-	630	-	0.0	18.2
Yemen	Egypt	20	130	170	-	20	110	210	-	6.1	48.5
Yemen	Syrian Arab Rep.	20	80	230	10	10	100	240	10	4.3	48.6
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	Albania	580	2,230	5,460	600	620	2,960	7,110	370	6.0	44.5
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	Bosnia and Herzegovina	110	270	370	20	140	110	670	10	14.7	45.3
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	Croatia	10	40	100	30	10	50	100	30	5.4	48.6
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	FYR Macedonia	30	90	150	10	30	100	80	10	12.0	56.0

See Notes, [Table III.1](#)

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### Chapter IV. global asylum applications and refugee status determination

During 1998, some 600,000 individual **asylum applications** were submitted in 134 countries worldwide, two-thirds of which (69 per cent) were lodged in Europe (see box below).

Out of some 651,000 **asylum decisions** taken, some 26 per cent (171,000), resulted in refugee or a refugee-like ("humanitarian") status. Africa recorded the highest recognition rate, where one out of every three asylum-seeker was recognized, whereas Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean and Oceania recorded recognition rates of 20 to 25 per cent (see box below and [Table IV.1](#)). Although these figures include administrative review or appeal decisions, provided such a stage is distinguished and that data are available, asylum applications pending judicial review are, due to the unavailability of data, generally not covered.

Region of asylum	Pending cases begin year	Cases submitted during year	Decisions during year				Pending cases end of year	Total rec. rate (%)	
			Refugee status	Other status	Rejected	Otherw. closed			
Africa	38,564	73,375	17,075	840	21,754	8,619	48,300	63,266	37.1
Asia	17,966	38,870	10,314	17	12,411	8,966	31,777	26,298	32.6
Europe	210,566	417,400	77,446	39,479	236,805	135,912	479,762	191,668	24.4
Latin America and Car	265	1,797	394	8	1,163	144	1,732	351	23.8
N. Amer. America	427,135	58,876	23,823	-	13,110	40,805	77,138	383,953	29.0
Oceania	6,915	11,037	3,727	-	9,329	246	12,302	5,207	22.2
Total	701,411	601,295	130,779	40,344	294,972	194,692	650,971	670,743	26.3

Table IV.3 provides the asylum statistics for 110 different nationalities. During 1998, the highest recognition rates were recorded for asylum-seekers originating from Croatia (95 per cent), Rwanda (68 per cent), Chad (58 per cent), Djibouti (66 per cent), Guinea-Bissau (66 per cent) Palestinians (62 per cent), and Somalia (60 per cent).

Citizens of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia constituted the largest group of persons who lodged individual refugee status applications during 1998, accounting for some 16 per cent of all applications submitted in the 134 asylum countries surveyed. With almost 54,000 asylum applications submitted, citizens of Iraq and Croatia constituted the second and third largest source countries of asylum-seekers during 1998. The ten main **countries of origin** of asylum-seekers listed in the box below accounted for 59 per cent of all asylum applications submitted.

During 1998, Iraqi asylum applications were recorded in 80 asylum countries, making Iraqis the most dispersed refugee population in the world. In terms of geographical distribution, Sudanese asylum-seekers ranked second, with applications submitted in 79 different asylum countries, followed by Somalis (77 countries) (see box). The limited geographical distribution of Croatian asylum applications, recorded in 21 asylum countries, can be attributed by the fact that some 50,000 of the 53,800 Croatian asylum applications were lodged in one country only, i.e. the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (see [Table IV.3](#)).

Main origin of asylum-seekers, 1998							
Origin	Total	%	No. of countries	Origin	Total	%	No. of countries
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	97,300	16.2%	42	Somalia	22,400	3.7%	77
Iraq	53,900	9.0%	80	Turkey	21,900	3.6%	40
Croatia	53,800	8.9%	21	Sri Lanka	15,800	2.6%	51
Afghanistan	29,900	5.0%	66	Sudan	14,900	2.5%	79
Rwanda	29,000	4.8%	74	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	13,500	2.3%	72

In the 49 countries for which gender disaggregated asylum statistics are available, **female asylum-seekers** constituted 14 per cent of the total number of asylum-seekers (see [Table IV.4](#)). Furthermore, 15.7 per cent of the refugee status determination decisions taken concerned women of all ages, whereas the percentage female among those recognized as refugees during 1998 was 37.6. The refugee recognition rate for female asylum-seekers in the countries listed in [Table IV.4](#) was 47.6 per cent, compared to 14.8 per cent for males (see also box below).

Asylum applications and decisions by gender in selected countries, 1998				
	Female	Male	Total	% female
Applications	15,760	96,930	112,690	14.0
Refugee status	5,550	9,220	14,770	37.6
Decisions	11,650	62,450	74,100	15.7
Recognition rate	47.6	14.8	19.9	

- [Table IV.1](#) Asylum applications and refugee status determination by country (territory) of asylum, 1998
- [Table IV.2](#) Asylum applications and refugee status determination by origin, 1998
- [Table IV.3](#) Asylum applications and refugee status determination by origin and country (territory) of asylum, 1998
- [Table IV.4](#) Female asylum applications and refugee status determination, 1998 (percentages)



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Table IV.1 Asylum applications and refugee status determination by country (territory) of asylum, 1998(\*)

Region and Country/territory of asylum	(1)	Pending cases begin year	Cases submitted during year	Decisions during year					Pending cases end of year (5)	Total rec. rate (%) (6)
				Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (3)	Total (4)		
				Refugee status	Other (2)					
Burundi	G	246	-	-	-	-	-	-	246	-
Djibouti	U	11	2,000	112	-	1,607	-	1,719	292	6.5
Eritrea	G	-	506	-	493	13	-	506	-	97.4
Ethiopia	G	128	34	15	-	7	10	32	130	46.9
Kenya	U	1,046	9,265	2,629	-	1,277	15	3,921	6,390	67.0
Malawi	V	1,270	297	104	-	37	861	1,002	565	10.4
Mozambique	G	423	603	-	-	60	247	307	719	0.0
Rwanda	V	4,241	387	79	-	32	3,703	3,814	814	2.1
Uganda	V	112	464	436	-	7	-	443	133	98.4
United Rep. of Tanzania	G	27	20,918	6,632	-	77	153	6,862	14,083	96.6
Zambia	V	769	897	393	-	97	-	490	1,176	80.2
Zimbabwe	G	74	295	106	-	18	80	204	165	52.0
<b>Eastern Africa</b>		<b>8,347</b>	<b>35,666</b>	<b>10,506</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>3,232</b>	<b>5,069</b>	<b>19,300</b>	<b>24,713</b>	<b>57.0</b>
Angola	G	12	2,377	13	155	-	2,148	2,316	73	7.3
Cameroon	V	3,705	861	19	174	101	-	294	4,272	65.6
Central African Rep.	V	159	5,848	30	-	9	*	40	5,967	75.0
Chad	V	200	93	17	-	18	-	35	258	48.6
Congo	V	397	130	26	-	52	-	78	449	33.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	U	33	390	73	-	201	27	301	122	24.3
Gabon	V	1,153	346	284	-	228	419	931	568	30.5
<b>Middle Africa</b>		<b>5,659</b>	<b>10,045</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>2,594</b>	<b>3,995</b>	<b>11,709</b>	<b>19.8</b>
Algeria	G	-	66	*	-	*	-	6	60	50.0
Egypt	U	94	5,872	1,392	-	2,372	-	3,764	2,202	37.0
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	U	460	112	97	-	*	257	356	216	27.2
Morocco	V	-	67	-	-	*	-	*	63	0.0
Sudan	G	43	39	-	-	-	-	-	82	-
Tunisia	U	29	81	26	-	8	49	83	27	31.3
<b>Northern Africa</b>		<b>626</b>	<b>6,237</b>	<b>1,515</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,380</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>4,209</b>	<b>2,650</b>	<b>36.0</b>
South Africa	G	21,791	15,035	1,664	-	14,459	128	16,251	20,207	10.2
<b>Southern Africa</b>		<b>21,791</b>	<b>15,035</b>	<b>1,664</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,459</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>16,251</b>	<b>20,207</b>	<b>10.2</b>
Benin	G	593	1,164	284	-	93	154	531	1,226	53.5
Burkina Faso	G	209	226	99	-	61	-	160	275	61.9
Côte d'Ivoire	U	499	466	282	-	149	76	507	458	55.6
Ghana	G	-	511	365	-	25	121	511	-	71.4
Guinea	U	10	85	36	18	41	-	95	-	56.8
Liberia	U	17	*	*	-	-	-	*	18	100.0
Mali	V	427	223	6	-	-	96	102	548	5.9
Mauritania	U	27	223	185	-	65	-	250	-	74.0
Niger	U	101	76	14	-	23	53	90	87	15.6
Senegal	V	107	3,119	1,590	-	593	-	2,183	1,043	72.8

Sierra Leone	U	*	27	*	-	-	22	25	*	12.0
Togo	U	151	272	67	-	24	-	91	332	73.6
<b>Western Africa</b>		2,141	6,392	2,928	18	1,074	522	4,545	3,987	64.9
<b>Africa</b>		38,564	73,375	17,075	840	21,754	8,619	48,300	63,266	37.1

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				Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (3)	Total (4)		
				Refugee status	Other (2)					
China	U	-	33	*	17	8	*	33	-	63.6
Hong Kong, China	U	15	88	7	*	68	9	87	16	11.5
Japan	G	333	133	15	-	293	41	349	117	4.3
Rep. of Korea	U	26	17	*	-	8	17	26	17	3.8
<b>Eastern Asia</b>		374	271	22	17	377	67	495	150	9.5
Afghanistan	U	-	6	*	-	*	-	5	*	60.0
Bangladesh	U	18	29	16	-	*	7	27	20	59.3
India	U	19	704	444	-	233	36	713	10	62.3
Kazakhstan	G	-	1,010	433	-	116	32	581	429	74.5
Kyrgyzstan	G	660	1,195	704	-	731	1,421	2,856	260	24.6
Nepal	V	13	82	10	-	7	29	46	49	21.7
Pakistan	U	44	703	431	-	143	-	574	173	75.1
Sri Lanka	U	6	50	29	-	11	-	40	16	72.5
Tajikistan	G	1,697	2,032	1,483	-	402	*	1,886	1,843	78.6
Turkmenistan	U	30	545	121	-	28	231	380	195	31.8
Uzbekistan	U	2,291	536	152	-	*	-	154	2,673	98.7
<b>South-central Asia</b>		4,778	6,892	3,823	-	1,671	1,756	7,262	5,668	52.7
Cambodia	U	394	18	10	-	14	183	207	205	4.8
Indonesia	U	35	100	22	-	18	34	74	61	29.7
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	U	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	*	100.0
Malaysia	U	14	1,207	161	-	459	31	651	570	24.7
Philippines	U	41	42	14	-	9	10	33	50	42.4
Singapore	U	*	34	-	-	17	12	29	6	0.0
Thailand	U	2,018	2,443	934	-	1,835	864	3,633	828	25.7
Viet Nam	U	-	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	0.0
<b>South-eastern Asia</b>		2,502	3,844	1,141	-	2,352	1,134	4,627	1,720	24.7
Armenia	G	-	11	*	-	8	-	9	*	11.1
Azerbaijan	U	218	158	12	-	23	48	83	293	14.5
Cyprus	U	32	225	45	-	70	8	123	134	36.6
Georgia	G	-	24	-	-	24	-	24	-	0.0
Iraq	U	1,570	533	310	-	102	77	489	1,614	63.4
Jordan	U	3,097	8,597	1,023	-	2,454	4,121	7,598	4,096	13.5
Kuwait	U	43	651	450	-	88	-	538	156	83.6
Lebanon	U	1,038	2,882	727	-	772	215	1,714	2,206	42.4
Saudi Arabia	U	16	29	*	-	-	10	14	31	28.6
Syrian Arab Rep.	U	1,426	7,374	377	-	1,801	180	2,358	6,442	16.0
Turkey	U	2,169	6,838	2,229	-	2,253	955	5,437	3,570	41.0
United Arab Emirates	U	85	194	33	-	30	69	132	147	25.0
Yemen	U	618	287	122	-	386	326	834	71	14.6
<b>Western Asia</b>		10,312	27,803	5,328	-	8,011	6,009	19,353	18,760	27.6

Asia		17,966	38,810	10,314	17	12,411	8,966	31,737	26,298	32.6
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				Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (3)	Total (4)		
				Refugee status	Other (2)					
Belarus	G	*	902	45	-	*	340	386	520	11.7
Bulgaria	G	1,357	833	87	8	106	230	431	1,759	22.0
Czech Rep.	G	597	4,082	78	-	584	2,145	2,807	1,878	2.8
Hungary	G	11	7,365	438	232	2,947	1,174	4,791	2,583	14.0
Poland	G	1,087	3,373	62	-	1,387	1,759	3,208	1,250	1.9
Rep. of Moldova	U	26	133	-	-	7	*	9	150	0.0
Romania	G	1,299	1,236	175	101	2,300	62	2,638	471	10.5
Russian Federation	G	89,942	5,103	554	-	4,007	79,167	83,728	11,317	0.7
Slovakia	G	69	506	49	-	36	224	309	197	15.9
Ukraine	G	268	1,571	719	-	915	-	1,634	205	44.0
<b>Eastern Europe</b>		94,656	25,104	2,207	341	12,289	85,101	99,941	20,330	2.5
Denmark	G	-	5,699	1,094	3,234	3,965	-	7,937	-	54.5
Estonia	G	*	23	-	-	6	*	7	17	0.0
Finland	G	960	1,272	8	376	240	247	871	1,390	44.1
Iceland	G	-	19	-	11	*	*	16	*	68.8
Ireland	G	1,281	4,626	168	28	1,318	106	1,620	2,989	12.1
Latvia	G	-	58	-	-	43	-	43	15	0.0
Lithuania	G	183	163	9	-	104	140	253	93	3.6
Norway	G	-	8,374	105	2,037	3,289	-	5,431	-	39.4
Sweden	G	-	12,844	1,099	5,967	6,504	623	14,193	-	49.8
United Kingdom	G	51,795	46,015	5,345	3,910	17,465	4,850	31,570	64,770	29.3
<b>Northern Europe</b>		54,219	79,093	7,828	15,563	32,934	5,966	61,941	69,274	37.8
Bosnia and Herzegovina	V	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	100.0
Croatia	G	-	26	-	-	22	-	22	*	0.0
Greece	G	-	2,953	156	287	3,748	-	4,191	-	10.6
Italy	G	-	7,112	1,026	-	2,393	46	3,465	-	29.6
Malta	U	-	165	50	32	50	-	132	-	62.1
Portugal	G	-	338	*	28	57	167	256	-	12.5
Slovenia	G	13	499	*	26	97	56	180	332	15.0
Spain	G	-	6,654	235	727	5,141	-	6,103	-	15.8
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	U	28	50,213	44,015	-	136	59	44,210	6,031	99.6
<b>Southern Europe</b>		41	67,960	45,482	1,100	11,644	328	58,559	6,363	79.6
Austria	G	-	13,805	500	-	3,491	5,509	9,500	5,500	5.3
Belgium	G	-	21,964	1,699	-	4,827	368	6,894	-	24.6
France	G	-	22,374	3,979	-	18,767	-	22,746	-	17.5
Germany	G	35,832	98,644	11,320	2,537	130,078	5,993	147,391	45,532	9.4
Liechtenstein	G	-	228	-	194	-	25	219	9	88.6
Luxembourg	G	89	1,709	43	-	71	60	174	-	24.7
Netherlands	G	-	45,217	2,356	12,743	11,040	21,679	47,818	-	31.6
Switzerland	G	25,729	41,302	2,032	7,001	11,664	10,883	24,579	44,660	36.8
<b>Western Europe</b>		61,650	245,243	21,929	22,475	179,938	44,517	259,321	95,701	17.1
<b>Europe</b>		210,566	417,400	77,446	39,479	236,805	135,912	479,762	191,668	24.4

Region and Country/territory of asylum	(1)	Pending cases begin year	Cases submitted during year	Decisions during year					Pending cases end of year (5)	Total rec. rate (%) (6)
				Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (3)	Total (4)		
				Refugee status	Other (2)					
Bahamas	V	-	464	20	-	423	-	443	21	4.5
Cuba	U	11	20	12	-	13	*	29	*	41.4
Dominican Rep.	V	-	18	*	-	11	-	14	*	21.4
Jamaica	V	-	24	-	*	12	-	16	8	25.0
<b>Caribbean</b>		11	526	32	-	459	-	502	29	7.8
Belize	G	-	30	-	-	30	-	30	-	0.0
Costa Rica	g	-	147	101	-	38	8	147	-	68.7
El Salvador	G	-	*	-	-	*	-	*	-	0.0
Guatemala	U	*	111	5	-	91	13	109	*	4.6
Mexico	U	7	125	60	-	61	8	129	*	46.5
Nicaragua	U	-	12	5	-	-	7	12	-	41.7
Panama	G	38	65	25	-	36	12	73	30	34.2
<b>Central America</b>		45	490	196	-	256	48	500	30	39.1
Bolivia	U	13	23	9	-	9	-	18	18	50.0
Brazil	G	119	537	75	-	347	49	471	185	15.9
Chile	G	32	53	32	8	-	*	41	44	97.6
Colombia	G	-	13	6	-	6	*	13	-	46.2
Ecuador	G	17	121	36	-	53	11	100	38	36.0
Paraguay	U	*	*	-	-	*	*	7	-	0.0
Peru	G	28	14	-	-	6	29	35	7	0.0
Uruguay	U	*	*	8	-	16	-	24	*	33.3
Venezuela	U	*	20	*	-	11	7	21	-	14.3
<b>South America</b>		209	781	166	8	448	96	730	292	24.2
<b>Latin America and Car.</b>		265	1,797	394	8	1,163	144	1,732	351	23.8

Region and Country/territory of asylum	(1)	Pending cases begin year	Cases submitted during year	Decisions during year					Pending cases end of year (5)	Total rec. rate (%) (6)
				Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (3)	Total (4)		
				Refugee status	Other (2)					
Canada	G	28,537	23,838	12,884	-	10,321	6,208	29,413	23,290	43.8
United States	G	398,598	35,038	9,939	-	3,189	34,597	47,725	360,663	20.8
<b>Northern America</b>		427,135	58,876	22,823	-	13,510	40,805	77,138	383,953	29.6
Australia	G	4,615	8,156	2,492	-	7,978	-	10,470	2,301	23.8
New Zealand	G	2,300	2,870	235	-	1,351	236	1,822	2,906	12.9
<b>Australia-New Zealand</b>		6,915	11,026	2,727	-	9,329	236	12,292	5,207	22.2
Papua New Guinea	G	-	11	-	-	-	10	10	*	0.0
<b>Melanesia</b>		-	11	-	-	-	10	10	-	0.0
<b>Oceania</b>		6,915	11,037	2,727	-	9,329	246	12,302	5,207	22.2

Region and Country/territory of asylum	(1)	Pending cases	Cases	Decisions during year					Pending cases	Total rec.
				Recognized	Rejected	Otherw. closed	Total			

Region and Country/territory of asylum	(1)	cases begin year	submitted during year	Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (3)	Total (4)	end of year (5)	rate (%) (6)
				Refugee status	Other (2)					
<b>Total</b>		701,411	601,295	130,779	40,344	294,972	194,692	650,971	670,743	26.3

## Notes

(\*) See [Chapter V](#) for notes on selected countries. Applications and decisions generally refer to the number of persons. Statistics are provisional, subject to change.

Applications generally refer to "new" applications only. Decisions generally include those made in administrative review/appeal.

A dash ("-") indicates that the value is zero, not available or not applicable. Absolute figures below 5 have been replaced with an asterisk (\*).

(1) refugee status determination carried out the the Government (G) or UNHCR (U). V = Various/Unkown.

(2) Any other status granted, i.e. "humanitarian", "de facto", "B", etc.

(3) Otherwise closed decisions usually refer to cases which are closed (rejected) on the basis of formal grounds or because the applicant has "disappeared", died, etc.

(4) Generally, this refers to the total number of positive (Convention or humanitarian status) decisions, rejections and cases that are otherwise closed.

(5) Generally, this refers to the pending cases begin year plus the number of cases submitted minus the number of decisions taken during the year.

(6) Number of persons granted refugee and (or) another status divided by the total number of decisions.

Source: Governments, UNHCR.

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Table IV.2 Asylum applications and refugee status determination by origin, 1998(\*)

Origin	Pending cases begin year	Cases submitted during year	Decisions during year					Pending cases end of year (4)	Total rec. rate (%) (5)
			Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (2)	Total (3)		
			Refugee status	Other (1)					
Afghanistan	32,786	29,852	5,824	6,750	9,398	19,375	41,293	22,725	30.5
Albania	1,864	7,848	721	9	2,549	4,463	7,738	1,010	9.4
Algeria	2,053	9,852	1,647	582	5,852	1,630	9,709	3,259	23.0
Angola	2,086	3,890	448	403	1,546	1,247	3,644	3,403	23.4
Argentina	143	143	12	-	76	49	137	145	8.8
Armenia	2,064	5,890	348	179	4,575	1,544	6,645	2,001	7.9
Azerbaijan	3,308	3,485	484	111	1,822	2,825	5,242	862	11.4
Bangladesh	4,935	4,400	425	34	4,425	2,122	7,004	2,308	6.6
Belarus	199	661	51	*	429	181	663	138	8.1
Bhutan	77	196	9	-	78	17	104	96	8.7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3,734	10,271	1,239	1,297	6,733	2,974	12,165	2,159	20.8
Brazil	1,057	133	35	-	33	205	272	860	12.9
Bulgaria	1,981	2,430	212	5	2,835	696	3,748	1,168	5.8
Burkina Faso	69	253	6	-	230	30	266	58	2.3
Burundi	5,722	2,703	1,113	167	242	3,883	5,405	2,905	23.7
Cambodia	348	1,893	828	-	541	292	1,661	550	49.8
Cameroon	1,107	1,942	311	20	1,431	173	1,935	1,012	17.1
Central African Rep.	80	130	41	-	65	*	108	57	38.0
Chad	2,450	4,722	221	59	175	25	480	6,683	58.3
Chile	977	121	78	18	486	216	798	318	12.0
China	8,129	12,216	949	406	7,561	4,643	13,554	8,158	10.0
Colombia	1,591	2,564	495	89	1,602	679	2,815	3,117	20.7
Congo	3,035	3,313	1,460	40	1,240	798	3,537	2,116	42.4
Costa Rica	166	194	7	-	62	114	183	173	3.8
Côte d'Ivoire	354	595	121	15	699	195	1,030	379	13.2
Croatia	438	53,796	44,085	1,104	1,999	255	47,437	6,229	95.3
Cuba	4,186	1,507	504	43	826	404	1,776	3,929	30.8
Cyprus	*	103	-	-	469	14	483	5	0.0
Czech Rep.	1,226	794	740	*	246	490	1,477	296	50.2
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	8,212	12,419	2,465	681	6,862	1,979	11,984	12,798	26.3
Djibouti	22	471	68	*	22	14	106	288	66.0
Ecuador	912	405	278	*	354	553	1,183	394	23.6
Egypt	715	1,270	339	20	816	218	1,391	525	25.8
El Salvador	185,809	3,904	344	*	1,065	3,395	4,804	181,468	7.2
Eritrea	246	1,389	335	67	535	73	1,009	662	39.8
Estonia	275	89	*	*	75	236	316	47	1.9
Ethiopia	4,329	7,193	1,331	182	4,148	931	6,581	6,056	23.0
Fiji	823	315	20	-	159	29	208	777	9.6
FYR Macedonia	196	1,165	21	12	1,614	297	1,931	172	1.7
Gambia	299	251	62	8	240	170	480	496	14.6
Georgia	31,742	4,572	187	112	3,852	31,013	35,164	1,353	0.9

Ghana	1,665	1,379	100	54	1,685	586	2,424	3,024	6.4
Grenada	116	100	8	-	83	45	135	85	5.9
Guatemala	111,781	2,741	424	-	703	5,571	6,698	106,010	6.3
Guinea	454	1,964	167	66	1,016	311	1,560	434	14.9
Guinea-Bissau	84	3,191	1,607	7	727	92	2,433	722	66.3
Guyana	478	80	5	-	48	380	433	174	1.2
Haiti	15,654	3,233	425	-	492	603	1,520	15,096	28.0
Honduras	2,954	671	79	-	211	1,048	1,338	1,938	5.9
Hungary	492	1,033	154	*	107	264	526	1,011	29.5
India	9,050	9,869	836	35	7,546	3,250	11,667	6,518	7.5
Indonesia	59	3,666	137	*	2,042	78	2,260	646	6.2
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	7,151	13,544	4,668	1,080	6,301	2,425	14,425	8,341	39.8
Iraq	13,508	53,881	9,892	10,191	20,401	13,016	53,406	17,305	37.6
Israel	1,321	508	30	*	699	571	1,301	495	2.4
Jamaica	464	113	6	-	50	312	368	200	1.6
Jordan	468	325	77	20	208	203	507	304	19.1
Kazakhstan	7,714	1,006	205	27	1,035	7,124	8,386	295	2.8
Kenya	212	1,464	162	10	778	179	1,129	2,574	15.2
Kuwait	160	148	91	*	19	66	180	135	52.8
Kyrgyzstan	1,824	112	37	*	93	1,776	1,907	32	2.0
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	2,561	192	365	6	1,165	55	1,591	1,128	23.3
Latvia	560	209	24	-	165	487	675	81	3.6
Lebanon	1,311	1,891	475	101	1,786	648	3,001	1,438	19.2
Liberia	2,946	1,715	507	120	1,162	1,393	3,181	2,100	19.7
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	275	921	98	11	332	198	634	428	17.2
Lithuania	213	432	6	*	247	249	493	96	2.0
Mali	292	575	21	-	381	168	570	159	3.7
Mauritania	505	1,755	287	13	541	154	995	314	30.2
Mexico	6,588	5,630	322	*	567	2,950	3,841	2,593	8.4
Mongolia	74	520	*	*	423	44	472	127	1.1
Morocco	253	825	25	16	884	144	1,068	162	3.8
Myanmar	774	2,440	962	7	745	559	2,273	932	42.6
Nepal	179	437	31	-	357	59	447	180	6.9
Nicaragua	16,776	464	144	-	436	1,489	2,069	15,251	7.0
Niger	359	299	78	*	177	139	397	244	20.4
Nigeria	5,622	7,969	580	95	6,766	1,837	9,277	4,882	7.3
Pakistan	8,029	9,839	1,117	35	9,035	3,334	13,513	6,503	8.5
Palestinians	155	432	208	5	87	46	346	185	61.6
Peru	2,868	1,054	410	164	509	629	1,705	1,789	33.7
Philippines	2,398	592	39	-	551	611	1,200	1,675	3.3
Poland	986	2,030	139	11	1,207	602	1,957	1,622	7.7
Rep. of Moldova	1,475	1,142	45	16	996	1,403	2,460	141	2.5
Romania	2,581	9,056	178	24	8,399	1,660	10,252	2,058	2.0
Russian Federation	5,405	7,773	931	295	3,981	2,572	7,768	8,061	15.8
Rwanda	3,819	29,035	7,534	383	832	2,962	11,711	20,081	67.6
Senegal	2,501	2,456	36	*	2,699	150	2,886	1,991	1.3
Sierra Leone	1,509	5,377	754	229	3,176	629	4,787	2,768	20.5
Slovakia	114	1,682	23	-	520	290	832	104	2.8
Somalia	6,934	22,389	7,633	4,146	3,389	4,394	19,521	9,431	60.3
Sri Lanka	12,963	15,824	3,488	827	9,159	3,788	17,261	16,202	25.0
Stateless	1,095	3,825	686	173	2,913	836	4,603	825	18.7
Sudan	2,100	14,945	2,407	794	4,009	1,069	8,278	8,939	38.7

Suriname	216	19	5	-	7	111	123	77	4.1
Syrian Arab Rep.	1,150	3,505	645	172	2,632	822	4,261	985	19.2
Tajikistan	5,733	1,382	468	20	878	6,855	8,221	113	5.9
Thailand	129	371	23	7	248	54	331	116	9.1
Togo	576	1,968	290	31	1,927	171	2,419	1,113	13.3
Trinidad and Tobago	466	61	6	-	49	330	385	163	1.6
Tunisia	217	718	309	7	404	84	802	267	39.4
Turkey	6,059	21,871	4,900	430	23,519	2,789	31,622	9,882	16.9
Turkmenistan	1,471	59	19	*	196	1,293	1,509	17	1.3
Uganda	270	586	88	111	257	135	585	830	34.0
Ukraine	2,765	2,463	281	91	1,579	2,155	4,104	976	9.1
United Rep. of Tanzania	390	735	15	11	477	40	543	988	4.8
Uzbekistan	4,077	274	65	11	480	3,689	4,243	57	1.8
Venezuela	824	149	62	-	224	167	453	483	13.7
Viet Nam	739	3,767	438	23	4,492	345	5,297	612	8.7
Yemen	623	562	89	15	333	220	657	515	15.8
Yugoslavia, Fed. Rep. of	9,525	97,298	3,921	2,277	50,265	10,178	66,517	45,611	9.3

#### Notes

(\*) Decisions of 100 or more only. Statistics are provisional, subject to change.

(1) Any other status granted, i.e. "humanitarian", "de facto", "B", etc.

(2) Otherwise closed decisions usually refer to cases which are closed (rejected) on the basis of formal grounds or because the applicant has "disappeared", died, etc.

(3) Generally, this refers to the total number of positive (Convention or humanitarian status) decisions, rejections and cases that are otherwise closed.

(4) Generally, this refers to the pending cases begin year plus the number of cases submitted minus the number of decisions taken during the year.

(5) Number of persons granted refugee and other status divided by the total number of decisions.

See [Table IV.1](#) for further notes.



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**Table IV.3 Asylum applications and refugee status determination by origin and country of asylum, 1998(\*)**

Origin	Country/ territory of asylum	Pending cases begin year	Cases submitted during year	Decisions during year					Pending cases end- year (4)	Total recogn. rate (5)
				Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (2)	Total (3)		
				Refugee status	Other (1)					
Afghanistan	Austria	-	467	51	-	62	203	316	-	16.1
Afghanistan	Canada	265	380	346	-	8	40	394	254	87.8
Afghanistan	Czech Rep.	96	1,265	15	-	119	420	554	807	2.7
Afghanistan	Denmark	-	332	103	116	141	-	360	-	60.8
Afghanistan	Germany	2,217	3,768	218	1,730	3,612	156	5,716	1,486	34.1
Afghanistan	Greece	-	202	*	-	124	-	126	-	1.6
Afghanistan	Hungary	-	1,077	177	30	539	74	820	257	25.2
Afghanistan	India	8	364	235	-	122	9	366	6	64.2
Afghanistan	Kazakhstan	-	1,010	433	-	116	32	581	429	74.5
Afghanistan	Kyrgyzstan	570	442	410	-	243	99	752	260	54.5
Afghanistan	Lithuania	90	61	5	-	45	61	111	40	4.5
Afghanistan	Netherlands	-	7,118	856	3,131	1,392	1,548	6,927	-	57.6
Afghanistan	Norway	-	45	*	8	102	-	113	-	9.7
Afghanistan	Poland	113	331	11	-	63	261	335	109	3.3
Afghanistan	Russian Federation (G)	2,373	1,291	125	-	1,395	922	2,442	1,222	5.1
Afghanistan	Russian Federation (U)	21,687	2,156	-	-	-	15,096	15,096	8,747	-
Afghanistan	Slovakia	35	158	40	-	18	74	132	-	30.3
Afghanistan	Sweden	-	330	18	150	72	13	240	-	70.0
Afghanistan	Switzerland	191	245	94	63	(2)	24	179	279	87.7
Afghanistan	Syrian Arab Rep.	34	811	-	-	146	-	146	699	-
Afghanistan	Tajikistan	1,697	2,026	1,481	-	402	*	1,884	1,839	78.6
Afghanistan	Turkmenistan	22	400	115	-	22	107	244	178	47.1
Afghanistan	Ukraine	143	803	356	-	469	-	825	121	43.2
Afghanistan	United Kingdom	-	2,395	35	1,500	10	60	1,605	1,870	95.6
Afghanistan	United States	407	159	172	-	10	96	278	253	61.9
Afghanistan	Uzbekistan	2,291	515	131	-	*	-	133	2,673	98.5
Albania	Belgium	-	1,147	28	-	139	7	174	-	16.1
Albania	Canada	284	349	203	-	100	33	336	305	60.4
Albania	France	-	239	34	-	328	-	362	-	9.4
Albania	Germany	209	761	18	*	1,088	68	1,176	148	1.7
Albania	Italy	-	73	43	-	153	25	221	-	19.5
Albania	Netherlands	-	243	-	*	61	231	-	-	1.4

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Albania	Switzerland	763	3,752	*	-	426	4,005	4,432	258	0.0
Albania	United States	563	850	373	-	41	40	454	290	82.2
Algeria	Australia	-	96	80	-	46	-	126	-	63.5
Algeria	Austria	-	280	*	-	123	155	280	-	0.7
Algeria	Canada	914	813	793	-	283	116	1,192	536	66.5
Algeria	France	-	920	40	-	914	-	954	-	4.2
Algeria	Germany	383	1,572	27	8	2,277	130	2,442	405	1.4
Algeria	Hungary	-	314	10	*	158	89	260	54	5.0
Algeria	Ireland	-	178	*	-	87	9	100	-	4.0
Algeria	Netherlands	-	821	23	36	250	579	888	-	6.6
Algeria	Spain	-	1,581	20	474	933	-	1,427	-	34.6
Algeria	Switzerland	291	529	13	17	327	186	543	286	5.5
Algeria	Syrian Arab Rep.	43	223	10	-	98	*	109	157	9.2
Algeria	United Kingdom	-	1,260	310	15	35	145	505	1,370	64.4
Algeria	United States	234	258	138	-	8	45	191	225	72.3
Angola	Belgium	-	224	36	-	116	6	158	-	22.8
Angola	Brazil	-	331	11	-	220	47	278	53	4.0
Angola	France	-	263	72	-	195	-	267	-	27.0
Angola	Germany	147	288	11	34	506	19	570	120	7.9
Angola	Netherlands	-	608	*	131	176	313	624	-	21.6
Angola	Russian Federation	883	23	-	-	-	702	702	204	-
Angola	South Africa	772	1,159	199	-	113	*	314	1,617	63.4
Angola	Switzerland	131	392	*	162	43	58	267	256	62.2
Angola	United Kingdom	-	150	5	60	60	35	160	970	40.6
Argentina	Canada	113	130	12	-	72	36	120	135	10.0
Armenia	Belgium	-	697	19	-	361	19	399	-	4.8
Armenia	Denmark	-	108	*	*	190	-	192	-	1.0
Armenia	France	-	170	11	-	158	-	169	-	6.5
Armenia	Germany	536	1,655	32	47	2,560	63	2,702	731	2.9
Armenia	Netherlands	-	711	31	90	165	348	634	-	19.1
Armenia	Poland	249	978	-	-	586	110	696	531	-
Armenia	Russian Federation	678	24	-	-	27	674	701	*	-
Armenia	Spain	-	178	12	7	166	-	185	-	10.3
Armenia	Sweden	-	40	-	34	76	*	110	-	30.9
Armenia	Switzerland	114	481	-	-	103	199	302	303	-
Armenia	United States	360	446	220	-	26	57			72.6

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Azerbaijan	Germany	481	1,566	246	13	1,095	138	1,492	717	17.4
Azerbaijan	Netherlands	-	1,268	80	85	99	291	555	-	29.7
Azerbaijan	Russian Federation	2,737	99	42	-	460	2,322	2,824	12	1.5
Bangladesh	Australia	-	161	72	-	170	-	242	-	29.8
Bangladesh	Canada	1,106	394	208	-	377	123	708	788	29.4
Bangladesh	France	-	555	62	-	609	-	671	-	9.2
Bangladesh	Germany	421	541	*	*	1,041	18	1,065	126	0.6
Bangladesh	Hungary	-	330	-	-	149	72	221	109	-
Bangladesh	Poland	30	136	-	-	65	69	134	32	-
Bangladesh	Romania	237	584	-	-	817	*	821	-	-
Bangladesh	South Africa	560	190	-	-	430	*	432	318	-
Bangladesh	Switzerland	124	172	-	-	182	36	218	87	-
Bangladesh	United Kingdom	-	460	-	-	210	65	275	-	-
Bangladesh	United States	2,416	221	74	-	78	1,590	1,742	666	4.2
Belarus	Germany	64	226	6	*	243	42	292	51	2.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Belgium	-	234	42	-	69	5	116	-	36.2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Denmark	-	202	9	23	210	-	242	-	13.2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	France	-	294	64	-	160	-	224	-	28.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Germany	2,423	1,533	36	34	3,907	448	4,425	566	1.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Netherlands	-	3,769	40	118	640	2,119	2,917	-	5.4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Spain	-	312	-	-	317	-	317	-	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Sweden	-	1,331	563	343	922	53	1,828	-	49.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Switzerland	1,204	1,891	375	713	443	277	1,808	1,461	60.2
Brazil	United States	1,017	70	26	-	*	186	213	821	12.2
Bulgaria	Canada	199	204	119	-	59	23	201	203	59.2
Bulgaria	Czech Rep.	116	138	-	-	30	185	215	39	-
Bulgaria	France	-	343	41	-	727	-	768	-	5.3
Bulgaria	Germany	50	172	-	-	362	82	444	11	-
Bulgaria	South Africa	847	426	-	-	936	6	942	331	-
Bulgaria	Switzerland	36	155	-	-	25	84	109	82	-
Bulgaria	United Kingdom	-	165	-	-	435	85	520	-	-
Bulgaria	United States	696	108	52	-	11	158	221	487	23.5
Burkina Faso	Germany	15	190	-	-	209	*	212	16	-
Burundi	Angola	-	147	-	-	-	147	147	-	-
Burundi	Belgium	-	286	166	-	42	*	212	-	78.3
Burundi	Kenya	57	554	280	-	14	*			94.9

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Burundi	Mozambique	232	246	-	-	9	120	129	349	-
Burundi	Netherlands	-	147	*	70	39	49	161	-	45.3
Burundi	Rwanda	3,819	196	73	-	13	3,447	3,533	482	2.1
Burundi	South Africa	389	243	208	-	11	*	220	412	94.5
Cambodia	Australia	-	119	11	-	128	-	139	-	7.9
Cambodia	France	-	563	484	-	135	-	619	-	78.2
Cambodia	Thailand	205	721	189	-	202	275	666	260	28.4
Cambodia	United States	107	426	102	-	21	7	130	263	78.5
Cameroon	Canada	118	85	66	-	53	12	131	75	50.4
Cameroon	Germany	153	544	35	-	547	17	599	186	5.8
Cameroon	South Africa	466	254	-	-	353	5	358	362	-
Cameroon	United Kingdom	-	95	10	10	150	15	185	-	10.8
Cameroon	United States	272	229	134	-	17	31	182	218	73.6
Chad	Canada	117	250	142	-	18	8	168	202	84.5
Chad	Gabon	92	15	7	-	94	-	101	6	6.9
Chile	Canada	890	48	63	-	448	172	683	261	9.2
China	Australia	-	1,091	42	-	1,662	-	1,704	-	2.5
China	Canada	910	1,420	287	-	379	716	1,382	958	20.8
China	France	-	2,076	12	-	2,233	-	2,245	-	0.5
China	Germany	441	869	47	*	1,153	27	1,230	285	4.1
China	Netherlands	-	919	*	358	278	584	1,224	-	29.6
China	United Kingdom	-	1,925	5	15	1,285	215	1,520	2,050	1.3
China	United States	6,675	3,074	511	-	346	3,045	3,902	4,763	13.1
Colombia	Australia	-	201	46	-	289	-	335	-	13.7
Colombia	Canada	120	270	57	-	59	40	156	245	36.5
Colombia	Spain	-	155	40	7	91	-	138	-	34.1
Colombia	Sweden	-	303	22	22	160	50	204	-	21.6
Colombia	Switzerland	90	452	29	-	70	42	141	401	20.6
Colombia	United Kingdom	-	425	150	60	790	20	1,020	1,620	20.6
Colombia	United States	1,337	200	64	-	13	483	560	745	11.4
Congo	Benin	227	227	126	-	76	28	230	224	54.8
Congo	Burkina Faso	145	45	72	-	38	-	110	80	65.5
Congo	Canada	394	75	83	-	105	25	213	105	39.0
Congo	Côte d'Ivoire	134	258	94	-	60	-	154	238	61.0
Congo	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	-	322	66	-	187	23	276	46	23.9
Congo	France	-	387	39	-	116	-	-	-	25.2

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Congo	Gabon	830	263	199	-	15	417	631	462	31.5
Congo	Germany	50	71	6	-	96	-	102	26	5.9
Congo	Netherlands	-	382	*	15	42	155	213	-	7.5
Congo	Romania	156	5	10	*	152	*	169	-	7.7
Congo	South Africa	705	533	586	-	172	11	769	469	76.2
Costa Rica	Canada	118	187	7	-	62	96	165	144	4.2
Côte d'Ivoire	Germany	25	222	*	-	260	6	269	46	1.1
Côte d'Ivoire	United Kingdom	-	95	50	10	255	30	345	135	17.4
Côte d'Ivoire	United States	228	21	9	-	*	108	118	122	7.6
Croatia	Denmark	-	295	-	-	325	-	325	-	-
Croatia	Germany	263	287	*	*	590	70	666	34	0.9
Croatia	Netherlands	-	150	-	24	28	95	147	-	16.3
Croatia	Norway	-	2,415	-	161	826	-	987	-	16.3
Croatia	Sweden	-	55	7	867	70	5	944	-	92.6
Croatia	United Kingdom	-	335	25	25	90	10	150	-	33.3
Croatia	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	-	50,000	44,000	-	-	-	44,000	6,000	100.0
Cuba	Bahamas	-	464	20	-	423	-	443	21	4.5
Cuba	Canada	157	165	157	-	29	19	205	118	76.6
Cuba	Germany	81	121	17	-	110	14	141	68	12.1
Cuba	Spain	-	207	40	18	170	-	228	-	25.4
Cuba	United States	3,891	295	156	-	5	318	479	3,651	32.6
Cyprus	United Kingdom	-	90	-	-	465	10	475	-	-
Czech Rep.	Canada	1,069	183	739	-	80	234	1,053	203	70.2
Czech Rep.	Netherlands	-	176	-	-	10	176	186	-	-
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Belgium	-	1,714	273	-	1,102	87	1,462	-	18.7
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Canada	1,253	744	688	-	441	125	1,254	903	54.9
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	France	-	1,778	251	-	870	-	1,121	-	22.4
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Germany	1,028	948	100	17	2,793	64	2,974	352	3.9
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Ireland	-	246	13	-	257	*	272	-	4.8
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Kenya	92	561	253	-	83	-	336	317	75.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Malawi	341	82	*	-	-	255	256	167	0.4
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Netherlands	-	411	15	120	218	409	762	-	17.7
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Russian Federation	472	46	-	-	-	400	400	118	-
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Rwanda	296	163	-	-	6	147	153	306	-
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	South Africa	2,832	1,987	*	-	314	8	323	4,496	0.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Switzerland	336	536	23	44	291	115			14.2

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Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Uganda	7	244	212	-	-	-	212	39	100.0
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United Kingdom	-	660	10	405	5	110	530	3,645	78.3
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United States	240	299	181	-	12	18	211	193	85.8
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Zambia	158	440	136	-	67	-	203	395	67.0
Ecuador	Australia	-	19	251	-	29	-	280	-	89.6
Ecuador	United States	735	42	*	-	8	485	495	314	0.4
Egypt	Australia	-	80	37	-	68	-	105	-	35.2
Egypt	Germany	132	292	12	*	541	19	573	36	2.3
Egypt	United States	445	465	215	-	28	127	370	312	58.1
El Salvador	Canada	512	301	40	-	260	144	444	378	9.0
El Salvador	United States	#####	3,553	295	-	776	3,245	4,316	181,090	6.8
Eritrea	Germany	142	264	11	13	292	6	322	165	7.5
Eritrea	Kenya	-	741	277	-	141	-	418	323	66.3
Eritrea	Netherlands	-	134	6	16	23	60	105	-	21.0
Estonia	Russian Federation	215	-	-	-	*	214	215	-	-
Ethiopia	Canada	130	154	101	-	36	25	162	119	62.3
Ethiopia	Djibouti	*	1,314	66	-	998	-	1,064	254	6.2
Ethiopia	Egypt	7	295	18	-	154	-	172	130	10.5
Ethiopia	Germany	344	373	66	27	845	21	959	200	9.7
Ethiopia	Kenya	98	1,751	254	-	631	*	887	962	28.6
Ethiopia	Netherlands	-	243	10	53	80	113	256	-	24.6
Ethiopia	Russian Federation	630	12	-	-	-	570	570	72	-
Ethiopia	South Africa	710	872	*	-	506	5	512	1,070	0.2
Ethiopia	Switzerland	181	243	*	10	236	10	260	167	5.4
Ethiopia	United Kingdom	-	345	35	10	55	5	105	1,385	42.9
Ethiopia	United States	1,793	868	584	-	53	123	760	1,458	76.8
Ethiopia	Yemen	253	169	81	-	334	-	415	7	19.5
Fiji	Australia	-	124	14	-	142	-	156	-	9.0
FYR Macedonia	Germany	76	387	*	-	1,259	71	1,332	61	0.2
FYR Macedonia	Netherlands	-	116	-	*	40	92	135	-	2.2
FYR Macedonia	Switzerland	57	119	*	-	55	67	123	60	0.8
Gambia	United Kingdom	-	45	10	5	140	25	180	300	8.3
Gambia	United States	278	71	34	-	9	106	149	164	22.8
Palestinians	Kuwait	-	154	154	-	-	-	154	-	100.0
Georgia	Belgium	-	490	8	-	155	*	166	-	4.8
Georgia	France	-	127	18	-	103	-	-	-	14.9

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Georgia	Germany	986	1,979	18	*	2,566	253	2,840	670	0.7
Georgia	Netherlands	-	290	8	77	105	215	405	-	21.0
Georgia	Russian Federation	30,477	185	40	-	374	30,220	30,634	28	0.1
Georgia	Spain	-	211	6	27	160	-	193	-	17.1
Georgia	Switzerland	192	813	-	-	215	287	502	505	-
Ghana	Canada	192	97	34	-	65	45	144	145	23.6
Ghana	France	-	110	24	-	86	-	110	-	21.8
Ghana	Germany	43	308	*	-	509	19	529	37	0.2
Ghana	South Africa	649	297	-	-	560	*	562	384	-
Ghana	United Kingdom	-	225	10	50	330	100	490	1,965	12.2
Ghana	United States	751	31	13	-	12	373	398	381	3.3
Grenada	Canada	105	99	8	-	83	36	127	81	6.3
Guatemala	Canada	575	192	64	-	239	116	419	350	15.3
Guatemala	United States	#####	2,526	354	-	444	5,454	6,252	105,660	5.7
Guinea	Belgium	-	336	14	-	135	7	156	-	9.0
Guinea	Canada	117	99	97	-	29	12	138	84	70.3
Guinea	France	-	205	9	-	147	-	156	-	5.8
Guinea	Germany	36	419	*	-	435	*	440	44	0.2
Guinea	Netherlands	-	338	*	65	42	120	228	-	28.9
Guinea	Switzerland	66	335	-	-	177	71	248	156	-
Guinea-Bissau	Senegal	-	2,570	1,574	-	466	-	2,040	530	77.2
Guinea-Bissau	Switzerland	22	263	-	-	105	54	159	128	-
Guyana	United States	419	5	*	-	-	350	351	115	0.3
Haiti	Canada	397	174	27	-	229	80	336	243	8.0
Haiti	France	-	357	51	-	217	-	268	-	19.0
Haiti	United States	15,254	2,676	336	-	39	521	896	14,847	37.5
Honduras	Canada	405	376	41	-	168	168	377	400	10.9
Honduras	United States	2,547	278	35	-	34	877	946	1,537	3.7
Hungary	Canada	298	977	153	-	64	179	396	896	38.6
India	Australia	-	328	19	-	372	-	391	-	4.9
India	Austria	-	472	-	-	60	275	335	-	-
India	Canada	1,473	1,157	435	-	753	339	1,527	1,138	28.5
India	Czech Rep.	5	299	-	-	25	101	126	178	-
India	France	-	463	15	-	529	-	544	-	2.8
India	Germany	492	1,491	6	-	2,358	78	2,442	370	0.2
India	Netherlands	-	72	-	*	40	67	-	-	0.9

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India	Poland	58	95	-	-	46	78	124	29	-
India	South Africa	1,556	1,558	*	-	1,886	9	1,896	1,218	0.1
India	Switzerland	82	162	*	-	101	60	162	81	0.6
India	United Kingdom	-	1,030	-	30	965	485	1,480	225	2.0
India	United States	5,335	1,764	356	-	112	1,652	2,120	3,240	16.8
Indonesia	Australia	-	1,895	*	-	1,680	-	1,681	-	0.1
Indonesia	Malaysia	-	879	124	-	327	-	451	428	27.5
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Austria	-	950	56	-	228	275	559	-	10.0
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Canada	1,386	880	915	-	290	173	1,378	903	66.4
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Denmark	-	170	20	22	161	-	203	-	20.7
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	France	-	153	68	-	77	-	145	-	46.9
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Germany	1,591	2,955	824	28	2,859	198	3,909	1,570	21.8
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Greece	-	94	22	37	94	-	153	-	38.6
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Iraq	1,570	447	291	-	65	49	405	1,612	71.9
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Netherlands	-	1,679	162	441	708	1,114	2,425	-	24.9
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Norway	-	264	9	30	126	-	165	-	23.6
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Pakistan	27	468	325	-	52	-	377	119	86.2
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Romania	67	52	14	20	103	*	141	5	24.1
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Russian Federation	209	*	-	-	-	172	172	40	-
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Spain	-	79	12	15	90	-	117	-	23.1
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Sweden	-	613	103	150	351	49	604	-	41.9
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Switzerland	118	168	54	27	39	28	148	158	54.7
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	Turkey	700	1,979	1,004	-	565	6	1,575	1,104	63.7
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	United Kingdom	-	745	125	295	80	45	545	1,495	77.1
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	United States	1,225	746	496	-	39	205	740	910	67.0
Iraq	Austria	-	1,963	77	-	483	1,460	2,020	-	3.8
Iraq	Belgium	-	231	51	-	140	8	199	-	25.6
Iraq	Canada	251	271	234	-	43	29	306	222	76.5
Iraq	Czech Rep.	44	308	6	-	60	170	236	116	2.5
Iraq	Denmark	-	1,921	106	1,405	221	-	1,732	-	87.2
Iraq	France	-	331	134	-	153	-	287	-	46.7
Iraq	Germany	4,481	7,435	3,634	7	5,487	592	9,720	2,401	37.5
Iraq	Greece	-	2,166	69	166	3,235	-	3,470	-	6.8
Iraq	Hungary	-	542	43	18	220	82	363	179	16.8
Iraq	Italy	-	2,270	323	-	909	-	1,232	-	26.2
Iraq	Jordan	2,806	7,872	981	-	2,279	3,789			13.9



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Iraq	Kuwait	24	292	189	-	55	-	244	72	77.5
Iraq	Lebanon	511	965	466	-	368	95	929	547	50.2
Iraq	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	97	40	55	-	-	47	102	35	53.9
Iraq	Netherlands	-	8,300	641	5,346	2,238	3,626	11,851	-	50.5
Iraq	Norway	-	1,296	33	446	148	-	627	-	76.4
Iraq	Poland	25	129	5	-	37	96	138	16	3.6
Iraq	Romania	304	259	78	29	486	5	598	6	17.9
Iraq	Russian Federation	1,255	45	-	-	-	1,002	1,002	298	-
Iraq	Spain	-	133	*	32	78	-	113	-	31.0
Iraq	Sweden	-	3,843	231	2,098	761	94	3,090	-	75.4
Iraq	Switzerland	302	2,041	253	90	-	178	521	1,809	65.8
Iraq	Syrian Arab Rep.	1,022	3,567	247	-	928	144	1,319	3,270	18.7
Iraq	Turkey	1,401	4,672	1,171	-	1,633	907	3,711	2,362	31.6
Iraq	Ukraine	12	106	18	-	96	-	114	*	15.8
Iraq	United Kingdom	-	1,295	510	500	15	70	1,095	1,560	92.2
Iraq	United States	242	178	115	-	13	30	158	150	72.8
Iraq	Yemen	315	40	23	-	22	303	348	7	6.6
Iraq	Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	11	180	14	-	109	47	170	21	8.2
Israel	Canada	1,014	360	23	-	625	351	999	380	2.3
Israel	United States	271	19	*	-	*	185	187	93	0.5
Jamaica	United States	393	33	*	-	6	273	283	132	1.4
Jordan	Germany	26	58	11	-	93	15	119	27	9.2
Jordan	United States	361	60	17	-	6	128	151	200	11.3
Kazakhstan	Canada	369	217	38	-	324	50	412	198	9.2
Kazakhstan	Germany	62	88	*	*	117	28	149	25	2.7
Kazakhstan	Netherlands	-	80	-	22	24	55	101	-	21.8
Kazakhstan	Russian Federation	7,268	348	145	-	477	6,966	7,588	28	1.9
Kenya	Germany	58	212	-	-	184	*	185	91	-
Kenya	United Kingdom	-	885	5	5	500	130	640	2,305	1.6
Kyrgyzstan	Russian Federation	1,777	44	17	-	43	1,761	1,821	-	0.9
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	France	-	163	149	-	12	-	161	-	92.5
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	Thailand	1,337	-	193	-	1,144	-	1,337	-	14.4
Latvia	Russian Federation	445	5	*	-	*	444	450	-	0.4
Lebanon	Australia	-	136	279	-	124	-	403	-	69.2
Lebanon	Canada	385	197	110	-	157	69	336	244	32.7
Lebanon	Germany	176	604	8	*	1,099	76			0.9

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Lebanon	Netherlands	-	162	*	17	76	126	223	-	9.4
Lebanon	Sweden	-	125	-	44	76	9	120	-	36.7
Lebanon	Switzerland	76	152	6	6	72	75	159	78	7.5
Lebanon	United States	631	66	33	-	16	216	265	398	12.5
Liberia	Germany	103	90	*	*	240	23	267	18	1.5
Liberia	Netherlands	-	193	*	69	174	202	449	-	16.3
Liberia	Spain	-	181	*	*	251	-	255	-	1.6
Liberia	United Kingdom	-	70	-	40	40	25	105	280	38.1
Liberia	United States	2,456	576	405	-	92	809	1,306	1,438	31.0
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Germany	118	224	30	-	175	24	229	113	13.1
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Netherlands	-	127	-	*	22	110	133	-	0.8
Lithuania	Germany	16	79	-	*	89	21	114	6	3.5
Lithuania	Switzerland	29	126	-	-	41	111	152	6	-
Mali	France	-	427	*	-	276	-	278	-	0.7
Mali	United States	243	8	*	-	*	132	134	111	0.7
Mauritania	France	-	542	113	-	312	-	425	-	26.6
Mauritania	Netherlands	-	120	-	13	43	56	112	-	11.6
Mauritania	United States	431	765	140	-	12	58	210	249	66.7
Mexico	Canada	1,266	1,158	297	-	548	334	1,179	1,240	25.2
Mexico	United States	5,322	4,460	24	-	15	2,614	2,653	1,353	0.9
Mongolia	Germany	59	324	*	*	383	14	400	53	0.8
Morocco	Germany	118	361	-	-	543	37	580	75	-
Morocco	Spain	-	248	-	10	215	-	225	-	4.4
Myanmar	Australia	-	103	18	-	205	-	223	-	8.1
Myanmar	India	10	204	153	-	50	8	211	*	72.5
Myanmar	Thailand	409	1,467	524	-	344	503	1,371	505	38.2
Myanmar	United States	257	354	230	-	19	24	273	241	84.2
Nepal	Australia	-	81	12	-	91	-	103	-	11.7
Nepal	Germany	71	154	-	-	229	5	234	68	-
Nicaragua	Canada	241	62	41	-	94	71	206	95	19.9
Nicaragua	United States	16,519	327	101	-	325	1,413	1,839	15,140	5.5
Niger	Germany	16	101	*	*	123	*	127	13	1.6
Niger	United States	313	136	73	-	6	122	201	223	36.3
Nigeria	Austria	-	189	7	-	109	68	184	-	3.8
Nigeria	Benin	116	115	59	-	*	79	142	89	41.5
Nigeria	Canada	503	580	216	-	214	83			42.1

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Nigeria	France	-	259	22	-	179	-	201	-	10.9
Nigeria	Germany	249	664	13	*	1,128	52	1,194	141	1.2
Nigeria	Ireland	-	1,729	*	-	213	51	267	-	1.1
Nigeria	Netherlands	-	342	*	12	185	303	501	-	2.6
Nigeria	South Africa	3,242	1,090	*	-	2,606	14	2,623	1,709	0.1
Nigeria	Spain	-	253	*	10	236	-	247	-	4.5
Nigeria	Switzerland	108	239	-	-	138	54	192	158	-
Nigeria	United Kingdom	-	1,380	100	65	1,380	460	2,005	1,280	8.2
Nigeria	United States	1,181	285	103	-	21	478	602	614	17.1
Pakistan	Australia	-	151	143	-	176	-	319	-	44.8
Pakistan	Austria	-	242	*	-	40	160	201	-	0.5
Pakistan	Belgium	-	437	21	-	202	16	239	-	8.8
Pakistan	Canada	1,278	1,607	561	-	440	309	1,310	1,617	42.8
Pakistan	France	-	813	11	-	875	-	886	-	1.2
Pakistan	Germany	842	1,520	141	*	2,890	85	3,118	417	4.6
Pakistan	Netherlands	-	211	5	*	102	182	293	-	3.1
Pakistan	Poland	74	179	*	-	77	129	207	46	0.5
Pakistan	Romania	75	89	*	-	153	11	165	-	0.6
Pakistan	South Africa	2,246	965	5	-	1,548	15	1,568	1,643	0.3
Pakistan	Spain	-	116	5	-	103	-	108	-	4.6
Pakistan	Sweden	-	122	-	8	92	8	100	-	8.0
Pakistan	Switzerland	258	314	8	*	247	107	365	222	3.0
Pakistan	United Kingdom	-	1,975	5	15	1,625	325	1,970	1,070	1.0
Pakistan	United States	3,102	364	193	-	142	1,841	2,176	1,232	8.9
Peru	Canada	492	319	161	-	234	77	472	353	34.1
Peru	Sweden	-	45	17	158	28	7	203	-	86.2
Peru	United States	2,313	385	139	-	24	524	687	1,375	20.2
Philippines	Australia	-	455	23	-	491	-	514	-	4.5
Philippines	United States	2,333	98	13	-	12	579	604	1,645	2.2
Poland	Canada	143	156	134	-	19	46	199	109	67.3
Poland	Germany	13	49	-	-	95	7	102	10	-
Poland	United Kingdom	-	1,585	-	-	1,015	50	1,065	1,060	-
Poland	United States	830	24	5	-	13	460	478	437	1.0
Rep. of Moldova	Canada	112	34	28	-	56	17	101	42	27.7
Rep. of Moldova	France	-	213	*	-	207	-	210	-	1.4
Rep. of Moldova	Germany	88	426	*	7	545	66			1.3

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Rep. of Moldova	Russian Federation	1,228	6	*	-	16	1,216	1,234	-	0.2
Romania	Canada	564	346	106	-	257	166	529	385	20.0
Romania	France	-	3,027	15	-	4,939	-	4,954	-	0.3
Romania	Germany	61	341	*	*	628	286	917	21	0.3
Romania	Hungary	-	124	*	-	111	*	115	9	0.9
Romania	Ireland	-	998	5	-	329	25	359	-	1.4
Romania	Spain	-	1,065	-	-	1,074	-	1,074	-	-
Romania	Switzerland	37	92	*	12	(9)	99	105	24	14.3
Romania	United Kingdom	-	1,015	-	-	785	370	1,155	335	-
Romania	United States	1,851	49	32	-	26	485	543	1,278	5.9
Russian Federation	Canada	662	666	256	-	284	161	701	618	36.5
Russian Federation	France	-	220	40	-	200	-	240	-	16.7
Russian Federation	Germany	315	867	16	135	938	198	1,287	292	11.7
Russian Federation	Netherlands	-	519	17	73	125	353	568	-	15.8
Russian Federation	Spain	-	154	-	26	83	-	109	-	23.9
Russian Federation	Sweden	-	229	6	33	208	11	247	-	15.8
Russian Federation	Switzerland	77	193	-	-	68	104	172	95	-
Russian Federation	United Kingdom	-	2,820	5	20	1,605	170	1,800	4,310	1.4
Russian Federation	United States	4,179	1,073	534	-	64	1,398	1,996	2,622	26.8
Rwanda	Angola	*	2,156	*	155	-	2,001	2,157	-	7.2
Rwanda	Belgium	-	1,049	388	-	53	5	446	-	87.0
Rwanda	Canada	169	503	357	-	9	21	387	293	92.2
Rwanda	Côte d'Ivoire	218	58	99	-	25	58	182	94	54.4
Rwanda	France	-	272	73	-	36	-	109	-	67.0
Rwanda	Kenya	591	3,069	361	-	329	11	701	2,959	51.5
Rwanda	Malawi	681	91	101	-	37	420	558	214	18.1
Rwanda	Netherlands	-	415	25	103	50	106	284	-	45.1
Rwanda	South Africa	135	279	100	-	16	-	116	298	86.2
Rwanda	United Kingdom	-	280	145	15	25	10	195	-	82.1
Rwanda	United Rep. of Tanzania	14	19,700	5,510	-	64	140	5,714	14,000	96.4
Senegal	France	-	142	8	-	93	-	101	-	7.9
Senegal	Germany	21	85	-	-	103	8	111	15	-
Senegal	South Africa	2,182	2,001	-	-	2,399	*	2,400	1,783	-
Senegal	United States	251	34	8	-	*	108	120	136	6.7
Sierra Leone	Egypt	*	125	25	-	102	-	127	-	19.7
Sierra Leone	Germany	681	1,224	6	34	1,618	26			2.4

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Sierra Leone	Ghana (G)	-	180	168	-	*	11	180	-	93.3
Sierra Leone	Ghana (U)	-	183	167	-	8	8	183	-	91.3
Sierra Leone	Hungary	-	190	*	*	139	29	173	17	2.9
Sierra Leone	Italy	-	101	9	-	93	*	103	-	8.7
Sierra Leone	Mauritania	25	170	160	-	35	-	195	-	82.1
Sierra Leone	Netherlands	-	482	*	129	96	265	491	-	26.5
Sierra Leone	Spain	-	386	-	12	317	-	329	-	3.6
Sierra Leone	Switzerland	133	222	-	-	41	86	127	133	-
Sierra Leone	United Kingdom	-	565	10	35	435	90	570	1,385	7.9
Sierra Leone	United States	279	275	110	-	20	47	177	227	62.1
Slovakia	Germany	48	125	-	-	278	23	301	21	-
Slovakia	Netherlands	-	315	-	-	46	231	277	-	-
Somalia	Australia	-	85	44	-	65	-	109	-	40.4
Somalia	Canada	668	653	556	-	88	141	785	554	70.8
Somalia	Denmark	-	617	17	840	73	-	930	-	92.2
Somalia	Djibouti	*	672	42	-	600	-	642	33	6.5
Somalia	Egypt	7	197	136	-	24	-	160	44	85.0
Somalia	Eritrea	-	438	-	438	-	-	438	-	100.0
Somalia	Finland	184	135	-	108	9	9	126	175	85.7
Somalia	Germany	554	1,078	*	170	956	45	1,175	487	14.8
Somalia	Ireland	-	75	54	-	96	-	150	-	36.0
Somalia	Kenya	64	2,097	1,128	-	30	-	1,158	1,003	97.4
Somalia	Malawi	55	6	*	-	-	138	140	(79)	1.4
Somalia	Netherlands	-	2,775	19	856	596	954	2,425	-	36.1
Somalia	Norway	-	938	5	651	75	-	731	-	89.7
Somalia	Russian Federation	2,677	22	-	-	-	2,624	2,624	75	-
Somalia	South Africa	691	1,027	349	-	121	9	479	1,239	72.9
Somalia	Sweden	-	228	5	119	108	41	232	-	53.4
Somalia	Switzerland	397	610	18	559	5	77	659	362	87.6
Somalia	Syrian Arab Rep.	73	832	24	-	171	10	205	700	11.7
Somalia	Uganda	51	168	168	-	5	-	173	46	97.1
Somalia	United Kingdom	-	4,685	2,330	375	5	95	2,805	2,735	96.4
Somalia	United Rep. of Tanzania	-	1,200	1,117	-	-	-	1,117	83	100.0
Somalia	United States	1,103	2,268	1,201	-	*	32	1,234	1,460	97.3
Sri Lanka	Australia	-	464	78	-	364	-	442	-	17.6
Sri Lanka	Austria	-	159	*	-	11	112	-	-	0.8

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Sri Lanka	Canada	2,483	2,634	2,170	-	550	201	2,921	2,242	74.3
Sri Lanka	Czech Rep.	17	368	-	-	48	191	239	146	-
Sri Lanka	Denmark	-	142	*	53	86	-	142	-	39.4
Sri Lanka	France	-	1,832	816	-	767	-	1,583	-	51.5
Sri Lanka	Germany	1,378	1,982	230	13	4,005	147	4,395	787	5.5
Sri Lanka	Netherlands	-	1,049	26	135	424	875	1,460	-	11.0
Sri Lanka	Norway	-	173	-	60	140	-	200	-	30.0
Sri Lanka	Poland	193	643	8	-	158	487	653	183	1.2
Sri Lanka	Romania	93	27	-	-	116	*	120	-	-
Sri Lanka	Russian Federation	903	-	-	-	-	893	893	10	-
Sri Lanka	Switzerland	7,622	1,901	28	531	600	309	1,468	8,125	38.1
Sri Lanka	United Kingdom	-	3,505	50	10	1,550	400	2,010	4,490	3.0
Sri Lanka	United States	189	81	35	-	5	67	107	106	32.7
Stateless	Denmark	-	335	307	11	52	-	370	-	85.9
Stateless	France	-	126	23	-	98	-	121	-	19.0
Stateless	Germany	560	2,010	254	6	2,337	54	2,651	462	9.8
Stateless	Netherlands	-	699	26	50	223	482	781	-	9.7
Stateless	Sweden	-	243	*	86	92	5	182	-	49.5
Stateless	United States	400	104	42	-	8	207	257	165	16.3
Sudan	Canada	143	176	154	-	11	16	181	138	85.1
Sudan	Egypt	61	4,953	1,130	-	1,914	-	3,044	1,970	37.1
Sudan	Germany	218	402	30	*	555	11	599	112	5.5
Sudan	Jordan	70	422	14	-	71	84	169	323	8.3
Sudan	Lebanon	268	1,634	130	-	296	86	512	1,390	25.4
Sudan	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	204	17	11	-	-	190	201	20	5.5
Sudan	Netherlands	-	1,875	145	678	369	427	1,619	-	50.8
Sudan	Syrian Arab Rep.	121	1,215	59	-	236	13	308	1,028	19.2
Sudan	United Kingdom	-	250	55	-	55	5	115	920	47.8
Sudan	United States	425	399	317	-	33	56	406	293	78.1
Suriname	United States	216	7	5	-	*	101	109	74	4.6
Syrian Arab Rep.	Germany	614	1,753	437	*	2,013	64	2,518	533	17.5
Syrian Arab Rep.	Jordan	95	53	10	-	22	94	126	22	7.9
Syrian Arab Rep.	Netherlands	-	828	55	50	237	439	781	-	13.4
Syrian Arab Rep.	Sweden	-	226	7	87	134	10	228	-	41.2
Syrian Arab Rep.	United States	224	59	27	-	*	113	144	118	18.8
Tajikistan	Kyrgyzstan	90	748	294	-	483	1,322	-	-	14.0

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Tajikistan	Russian Federation	5,610	285	141	-	292	5,410	5,843	52	2.4
Thailand	Australia	-	247	19	-	243	-	262	-	7.3
Togo	Belgium	-	128	19	-	120	10	149	-	12.8
Togo	Germany	381	722	158	9	1,617	29	1,813	294	9.2
Togo	Netherlands	-	99	-	20	40	50	110	-	18.2
Trinidad and Tobago	United States	410	10	*	-	*	305	308	126	0.3
Tunisia	Germany	68	338	99	-	280	18	397	87	24.9
Tunisia	Switzerland	64	153	102	-	16	13	131	84	77.9
Turkey	Australia	-	109	53	-	71	-	124	-	42.7
Turkey	Austria	-	210	22	-	47	134	203	-	10.8
Turkey	Belgium	-	403	86	-	273	11	370	-	23.2
Turkey	Canada	181	298	143	-	40	32	215	274	66.5
Turkey	France	-	1,621	358	-	1,087	-	1,445	-	24.8
Turkey	Germany	4,591	11,754	3,233	68	18,972	587	22,860	3,321	14.4
Turkey	Greece	-	308	33	23	143	-	199	-	28.1
Turkey	Hungary	-	153	-	*	93	35	129	24	0.8
Turkey	Italy	-	1,254	343	-	509	8	860	-	39.9
Turkey	Netherlands	-	1,222	41	109	480	1,036	1,666	-	9.0
Turkey	Romania	72	43	15	*	87	9	115	-	16.5
Turkey	Sweden	-	280	18	81	189	16	288	-	34.4
Turkey	Switzerland	766	1,565	465	98	424	507	1,494	965	37.7
Turkey	United Kingdom	-	2,015	40	30	840	175	1,085	4,870	6.5
Turkey	United States	257	32	16	-	*	175	195	112	8.2
Turkmenistan	Russian Federation	1,459	23	8	-	181	1,285	1,474	8	0.5
Uganda	United Kingdom	-	210	5	70	100	20	195	580	38.5
Ukraine	Canada	380	282	112	-	156	88	356	315	31.5
Ukraine	France	-	127	29	-	140	-	169	-	17.2
Ukraine	Germany	223	651	9	33	794	187	1,023	108	4.1
Ukraine	Netherlands	-	227	*	33	87	187	309	-	11.3
Ukraine	Russian Federation	1,377	22	-	-	23	1,375	1,398	*	-
Ukraine	Switzerland	51	170	-	-	50	77	127	96	-
Ukraine	United States	679	297	108	-	18	144	270	425	40.0
United Rep. of Tanzania	South Africa	351	567	-	-	318	*	319	599	-
United Rep. of Tanzania	United Kingdom	-	80	-	5	120	25	150	335	3.3
Uzbekistan	Russian Federation	4,042	52	26	-	399	3,668	4,093	*	0.6
Venezuela	Canada	756	99	52	-	214	146			12.6

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Viet Nam	Cambodia	366	*	-	-	10	180	190	180	-
Viet Nam	France	-	237	236	-	23	-	259	-	91.1
Viet Nam	Germany	294	2,991	40	11	4,291	73	4,415	347	1.2
Yemen	Germany	101	45	*	*	147	*	154	11	2.6
Yemen	United States	327	59	23	-	7	156	186	153	12.4
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Austria	-	6,647	124	-	1,894	1,707	3,725	-	3.3
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Belgium	-	6,057	140	-	333	41	514	-	27.2
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Canada	256	317	288	-	28	53	369	212	78.0
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Czech Rep.	19	714	-	-	*	452	456	277	-
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Denmark	-	368	237	5	145	-	387	-	62.5
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Finland	291	364	-	93	73	31	197	438	47.2
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	France	-	1,283	185	-	686	-	871	-	21.2
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Germany	4,532	34,979	1,134	37	39,282	1,007	41,460	15,805	2.8
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Hungary	-	3,296	35	166	915	663	1,779	1,517	11.3
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Italy	-	2,583	101	-	295	*	397	-	25.4
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Liechtenstein	-	216	-	194	-	22	216	-	89.8
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Netherlands	-	4,289	66	97	554	2,017	2,734	-	6.0
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Norway	-	1,623	-	55	205	-	260	-	21.2
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Poland	8	416	-	-	10	303	313	111	-
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Sweden	-	3,446	19	1,230	1,988	124	3,237	-	38.6
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	Switzerland	2,849	20,396	292	266	3,519	2,760	6,837	16,339	8.2
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	United Kingdom	-	7,420	935	75	20	545	1,575	9,580	64.1
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	United States	1,324	500	331	-	30	414	775	852	42.7

#### Notes

(\*) Decisions of 100 or more only. Statistics are provisional, subject to change.

(1) Any other status granted, i.e. "humanitarian", "de facto", "B", etc.

(2) Otherwise closed decisions usually refer to cases which are closed (rejected) on the basis of formal grounds or because the applicant has "disappeared", died, etc.

(3) Generally, this refers to the total number of positive (Convention or humanitarian status) decisions, rejections and cases that are otherwise closed.

(4) Generally, this refers to the pending cases begin year plus the number of cases submitted minus the number of decisions taken during the year.

(5) Number of persons granted refugee status divided by the total number of decisions.

(6) Number of persons granted refugee and other status divided by the total number of decisions.

See [table IV.1](#) for further notes.

Source : Governments, UNHCR



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Table IV.4 Female asylum applications and refugee status determination, 1998 (percentages)

Country/territory of asylum	Pending cases begin year	Cases submitted during year	Decisions during year					Pending cases end-year(4)
			Recognized		Rejected	Otherw. closed (2)	Total (3)	
			Refugee status	Other (1)				
Armenia	-	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	50.0
Austria	-	41.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Azerbaijan	6.0	3.0	33.0	-	-	-	5.0	2.0
Bangladesh	11.1	20.7	31.3	-	25.0	-	22.2	10.0
Belarus	-	-	22.2	-	-	-	-	-
Belize	-	33.0	-	-	33.0	-	33.0	-
Brazil	-	-	17.0	-	-	-	-	-
Bulgaria	17.8	16.7	21.8	12.5	19.8	20.0	17.4	17.1
Burkina Faso	-	-	35.0	-	-	-	-	-
Burundi	55.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	55.0
Cambodia	44.9	33.3	20.0	-	50.0	48.6	47.3	41.5
Central African Rep.	43.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chile	41.0	38.0	39.0	37.0	-	-	38.0	38.0
Colombia	-	38.5	33.3	-	50.0	-	38.5	-
Croatia	-	31.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	18.0	15.0	17.0	-	15.0	25.0	17.0	-
Cyprus	-	-	24.4	-	-	-	-	-
Czech Rep.	25.0	20.0	30.0	-	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
Ecuador	-	32.8	33.3	-	7.6	9.1	50.0	34.2
Egypt	-	-	45.0	-	-	-	-	-
Ghana	25.0	44.0	37.0	17.0	11.0	32.0	24.0	24.0
Guatemala	-	13.0	60.0	-	10.0	25.0	13.0	-
Hong Kong, China	20.0	15.0	43.0	-	12.0	-	13.0	13.0
India	-	-	40.0	-	28.0	-	36.0	-
Indonesia	17.0	6.0	22.0	-	11.0	-	9.0	9.0
Japan	-	-	13.3	-	-	-	-	9.4
Jordan	-	35.5	45.3	-	38.0	-	-	31.5
Kazakhstan	-	35.0	35.0	-	35.0	35.0	35.0	35.0
Kuwait	-	38.0	33.0	-	23.0	-	31.0	42.0
Kyrgyzstan	49.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lebanon	-	14.4	40.0	-	21.0	11.0	24.0	-
Malawi	-	24.0	46.0	-	38.0	-	-	-
Mauritania	20.0	15.0	20.0	-	10.0	-	15.0	-
Mexico	57.0	14.0	15.0	-	17.0	-	16.0	-
Mozambique	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.0
Nicaragua	-	0.1	0.3	-	-	0.2	0.1	-
Paraguay	50.0	-	-	-	50.0	-	-	-
Peru	-	21.4	-	-	-	-	-	28.6
Rep. of Korea	7.7	11.8	-	-	25.0	11.8	15.4	5.9
Senegal	25.0	26.0	31.0	-	17.0	-	-	25.0
Syrian Arab Rep.	-	-	54.0	-	-	-	-	-

Switzerland	-	-	46.8	41.1	28.2	12.1	22.6	32.5
Thailand	31.0	35.0	33.0	-	34.0	35.0	34.0	34.0
Tunisia	-	-	40.0	-	-	-	-	-
Turkey	36.4	37.5	47.0	-	38.6	38.1	41.9	33.7
Uruguay	-	16.0	13.0	-	19.0	-	-	25.0
Uzbekistan	-	-	43.0	-	-	-	-	-
Venezuela	-	20.0	33.3	-	18.2	42.8	19.1	-
Zambia	45.0	40.0	55.0	-	30.0	-	42.5	42.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>37.6</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>22.2</b>

#### Notes

(1) Any other status granted, i.e. "humanitarian", "de facto", "B", etc.

(2) Otherwise closed decisions refer to cases which are closed (rejected) on the basis of formal grounds, because the applicant has "disappeared", died, etc.

(3) Generally, this refers to the total number of positive (Convention or humanitarian status) decisions, rejections and cases that are otherwise closed.

(4) Generally, this refers to the pending cases begin year plus the number of cases submitted minus the number of decisions taken during the year.

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### **Chapter V. Asylum applications and refugee status determination in selected countries, 1989-1998**

Table V.1 to V.13 present longitudinal information on asylum-seekers, refugee status determination, admission and related aspects of refugee protection in 32 industrialized countries in Europe, North America and elsewhere. These statistics are all provided by Governments.

In total, these countries received 444,100 **asylum-seekers** during 1998, an increase of 18 per cent compared to 1997. However, across the regions, the pattern was quite varied: whereas in North America the number of applications fell by 19 per cent, they increased by 88 per cent in Eastern Europe.

<b>Asylum applications and decisions by gender in selected countries, 1998</b>				
	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>% female</b>
Applications	15,760	96,930	112,690	14.0
Refugee status	5,550	9,220	14,770	37.6
Decisions	11,650	62,450	74,100	15.7
Recognition rate	47.6	14.8	19.9	

During 1998, some 455,400 **refugee status determination decisions** were taken in the 32 countries considered here, a decrease of 7 per cent compared to 1997 (see box). During the same period, the number of asylum-seekers recognized under the 1951 Convention fell by 11 per cent, whereas the number of persons granted a humanitarian status increased by 11 per cent. Consequently, the Convention refugee recognition rate in the 32 countries considered here fell slightly, from 13.6 in 1997 to 13.0 in 1998, whereas the total recognition rate, that is including humanitarian status, increased slightly, from 20.8 per cent to 21.7 per cent (see [Table V.8](#) and [V.9](#)).

**Female asylum-seekers** constitute about one-third of all asylum-seekers in the six countries for which such information was available, with the exception of Italy (see [Table V.11](#)). In Canada and Sweden, however, this proportion is slightly higher (37-38 per cent) than in the other countries. There has been little variation in this percentage over the past ten years.

[Table V.1](#) Asylum applications submitted in selected countries, 1989-1998

[Table V.2](#) Recognition of asylum-seekers under the 1951 Convention in selected countries, 1989-1998

[Table V.3](#) Humanitarian status granted to asylum-seekers in selected countries, 1989-1998

[Table V.4](#) Rejection of asylum applications in selected countries, 1989-1998

[Table V.5](#) Asylum applications closed on other grounds in selected countries, 1989-1998

- [Table V.6](#) Total number of decisions taken on asylum applications in selected countries, 1989-1998
- [Table V.7](#) Asylum applications pending at the end of the year in selected countries, 1989-1998
- [Table V.8](#) Convention recognition rates in selected countries, 1989-1998
- [Table V.9](#) Total recognition rates in selected countries, 1989-1998
- [Table V.10](#) Refugees resettled in selected countries, 1989-1998
- [Table V.11](#) Asylum applications by gender in selected countries, 1989-1998

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**Table V.1 Asylum applications submitted in selected countries, 1989-1998**

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Australia	1,260	12,130	16,740	6,050	7,200	6,260	7,630	9,760	9,310	8,160	84,500
Austria	21,880	22,790	27,310	16,240	4,750	5,080	5,920	6,990	6,720	13,810	131,490
Belgium	8,110	12,960	15,170	17,650	26,880	14,350	11,420	12,430	11,790	21,960	152,720
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	520	300	430	830	2,080
Canada	19,930	36,740	32,350	37,750	20,290	22,010	26,070	26,120	22,580	23,840	267,680
Czech Rep.	-	1,790	1,980	820	2,190	1,190	1,410	2,160	2,100	4,080	17,720
Denmark	4,590	5,290	4,610	13,880	14,350	6,650	5,100	5,890	5,100	5,700	71,160
Finland	180	2,740	2,130	3,630	2,020	840	850	710	970	1,270	15,340
France	61,420	54,810	47,380	28,870	27,560	25,960	20,170	17,410	21,400	22,370	327,350
Germany (1)	121,320	193,060	256,110	438,190	322,610	127,210	127,940	116,370	104,350	98,640	1,905,800
Greece	3,000	6,170	2,670	1,850	810	1,300	1,310	1,640	4,380	2,950	26,080
Hungary (2)	40	3,970	1,300	860	730	440	590	670	1,110	7,370	17,080
Iceland	10	10	30	20	-	-	10	-	10	20	110
Ireland	-	-	30	40	90	360	420	1,180	3,880	4,630	10,630
Italy	2,250	4,830	26,470	6,040	1,650	1,790	1,730	680	1,860	7,110	54,410
Japan	50	30	40	70	50	70	50	150	240	130	880
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	230	230
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	390	260	430	1,710	2,790
Netherlands	13,900	21,210	21,620	20,350	35,400	52,570	29,260	22,170	34,440	45,220	296,140
New Zealand	-	-	1,160	320	380	450	710	1,320	1,560	2,870	8,770
Norway	4,430	3,960	4,570	5,240	12,880	3,380	1,460	1,780	2,270	8,370	48,340
Poland	-	-	-	-	820	600	840	3,210	3,530	3,370	12,370
Portugal	150	80	260	690	2,090	770	450	270	250	340	5,350
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	590	1,430	1,240	3,260
Slovakia	-	-	-	90	100	140	360	420	650	510	2,270
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	70	500	610
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,990	15,640	15,040	46,670
Spain	4,080	8,650	8,140	11,710	12,620	11,990	5,680	4,730	4,980	6,650	79,230
Sweden	30,340	29,420	27,350	84,020	37,580	18,640	9,050	5,750	9,660	12,840	264,650
Switzerland	24,430	35,840	41,630	17,960	24,740	16,130	17,020	18,000	23,980	41,300	261,030
United Kingdom (3)	11,640	26,210	44,840	24,610	22,370	32,830	43,970	29,640	32,500	46,020	314,630
United States (1)(4)	101,680	73,640	56,310	103,960	143,120	144,580	149,070	107,130	50,000	35,040	964,530
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Total	434,690	556,330	640,200	840,910	723,280	495,590	469,400	413,760	377,620	444,120	5,395,900
<i>of which:</i>											-
- Eastern Europe	40	5,760	3,280	1,770	3,840	2,370	3,720	7,350	9,250	17,400	54,780
- Northern Europe	51,190	67,630	83,560	131,440	89,290	62,700	60,860	44,950	54,390	78,850	724,860
- Southern Europe	9,480	19,730	37,540	20,290	17,170	15,850	9,170	7,360	11,540	17,550	165,680
- Western Europe	251,060	340,670	409,220	539,260	441,940	241,300	212,120	193,630	203,110	245,240	3,077,550
Europe, total	311,770	433,790	533,600	692,760	552,240	322,220	285,870	253,290	278,290	359,040	4,022,870
- European Union	282,860	388,220	484,090	667,770	510,780	300,340	263,660	226,120	242,710	291,220	3,657,770
Northern America	121,610	110,380	88,660	141,710	163,410	166,590	175,140	133,250	72,580	58,880	1,232,210

**Notes**

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable. Data refer to the number of persons.

(1) "New" applications only, that is, excluding applications which are "re-opened".

(2) Includes applications under the UNHCR Mandate.

(3) Number of cases. During 1989-1998, the average number of persons per case was 1.34.

(4) Number of cases. During 1989-1998, the average number of persons per case was 1.45. Data refer to US Fiscal Year (1 October - 30 September). In addition, some 68,600 applications were received in appeal by the Executive Office of Immigration Review during FY 1997 and some 60,000 during FY 1998.

Source: Governments.

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**Table V.2 Recognition of asylum-seekers under the 1951 Convention in selected countries, 1989-1998**

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Australia	80	90	190	610	990	1,030	680	1,380	1,010	2,490	8,550
Austria	2,880	860	2,470	2,290	1,200	680	990	720	640	500	13,230
Belgium	510	530	620	900	1,130	1,590	1,410	1,680	1,870	1,700	11,940
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	150	130	90	420
Canada	4,740	10,710	19,430	17,440	14,100	15,220	9,610	9,540	10,030	12,880	123,700
Czech Rep.	-	30	780	250	240	120	60	160	100	80	1,820
Denmark	700	700	990	760	650	680	4,970	1,440	980	1,090	12,960
Finland	10	20	20	30	20	30	10	10	10	10	170
France	8,770	13,490	15,470	10,270	9,910	7,030	4,530	4,340	4,110	3,980	81,900
Germany (1)	5,990	6,520	11,600	9,190	16,370	25,580	23,470	24,100	18,220	11,320	152,360
Greece (2)	1,640	1,140	330	200	40	90	200	160	130	160	4,090
Hungary (2)	40	2,570	450	490	400	250	180	170	160	440	5,150
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	40	210	170	440
Italy (2)	1,120	820	800	340	130	300	290	170	350	1,030	5,350
Japan	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	20	30
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	40	50
Netherlands	1,030	690	780	4,900	10,340	6,650	7,980	8,810	6,630	2,360	50,170
New Zealand	-	-	160	150	50	50	80	90	100	240	920
Norway	360	130	120	140	50	20	30	10	90	110	1,060
Poland	-	-	-	-	60	400	110	130	150	60	910
Portugal	30	10	30	20	80	30	50	10	-	-	260
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	80	180	350
Slovakia	-	-	-	60	40	50	70	130	70	50	470
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,300	3,480	1,660	8,440
Spain	260	490	560	260	1,290	630	460	240	160	240	4,590
Sweden	3,080	2,170	1,400	620	1,030	790	150	130	1,310	1,100	11,780
Switzerland (3)	820	880	1,160	1,410	3,830	2,940	2,650	2,270	2,640	2,030	20,630
United Kingdom (4)	2,210	920	510	1,120	1,590	830	1,300	2,240	3,990	5,350	20,060
United States (3)(5)	6,940	4,170	2,110	3,920	5,010	8,130	12,450	13,530	9,930	9,940	76,130
											-
Total	41,210	46,940	59,980	55,370	68,560	73,120	71,800	75,050	66,580	59,320	617,930
<i>of which:</i>											-
- Eastern Europe	40	2,600	1,230	800	740	820	470	830	690	900	9,120
- Northern Europe	6,360	3,940	3,040	2,670	3,340	2,350	6,480	3,870	6,590	7,830	46,470
- Southern Europe	3,050	2,460	1,720	820	1,540	1,050	1,000	580	640	1,430	14,290
- Western Europe	20,000	22,970	32,100	28,960	42,780	44,470	41,030	41,930	34,110	21,930	330,280
Europe, total	29,450	31,970	38,090	33,250	48,400	48,690	48,980	47,210	42,030	32,090	400,160
- European Union	28,230	28,360	35,580	30,900	43,780	44,910	45,830	44,100	38,610	29,050	369,350
Northern America	11,680	14,880	21,540	21,360	19,110	23,350	22,060	23,070	19,960	22,820	199,830

**Notes**

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In case the asylum procedure includes an administrative review or appeal process, such decisions are generally included.

This table excludes resettled refugees.

(1) Including "re-opened" applications.

(2) Includes refugee determination carried out under the UNHCR mandate.

(3) Concerns first instance decisions only.

(4) Number of cases. During 1989-1998, the average number of persons per case was 1.61.

(5) Number of cases. During 1989-1998, the average number of persons per case was 1.37. Data refer to US Fiscal Year (1 October - 30 September). In addition, the Executive Office of Immigration Review granted asylum to some 5,350 cases during FY 1997, and to some 6,030 cases during FY 1998.

Source: Governments.





## Notes

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable. Figures usually refer to the number of persons.

In case the asylum procedure includes an administrative review or appeal process, such decisions are generally included.

(1) Concerns *de facto* status, applications lodged abroad, special amendment for Stateless Palestinians, humanitarian residence permit, exceptional reasons, temporary residence permits to Bosnians and temporary residence permits to Serbs.

(2) Concerns humanitarian, *de facto* and "other" status.

(3) Concerns humanitarian status and includes "re-opened" applications.

(4) Concerns those "Tolerated".

(5) Concerns "Exceptional leave to remain". Number of cases. During 1989-1998, there were on average 1.46 persons per case.

(6) Concerns residence permit on humanitarian grounds ("VTV") and provisional residence permit ("VVTV").

(7) Concerns humanitarian status and humanitarian status/TP Bosnians.

(8) Concerns humanitarian status.

(9) Concerns Special Humanitarian status, *de facto* ("B-") status and draft evaders.

(10) Concerns temporary admission ("Admissions provisoires") granted during, after or without procedure and humanitarian and other comparable regulations.

Source: Governments.

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**Table V.4 Rejection of asylum applications in selected countries, 1989-1998 (\*)**

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Australia	330	200	1,470	9,950	9,070	6,720	6,790	6,250	14,170	7,980	62,930
Austria	12,130	11,780	17,220	21,200	14,200	8,340	6,630	8,030	7,290	3,490	110,310
Belgium	730	1,100	2,020	3,440	3,710	4,780	4,130	5,430	7,300	4,830	37,470
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	30	60	110	210
Canada	1,110	3,840	8,870	11,070	11,450	6,440	4,100	7,040	9,110	10,320	73,350
Czech Rep.	-	-	-	10	10	170	20	20	1,430	580	2,240
Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,500	4,230	4,920	3,970	16,620
Finland (1)	110	330	630	1,340	1,440	490	270	250	280	240	5,380
France	22,400	73,870	62,980	26,380	25,580	22,690	24,430	17,860	20,060	18,770	315,020
Germany (2)	89,870	116,270	128,820	163,640	347,990	238,390	117,940	126,650	101,890	130,080	1,561,540
Greece (3)	2,960	4,760	7,040	3,320	710	670	1,050	1,650	2,230	3,750	28,140
Hungary (3)	-	320	150	220	160	150	380	440	860	2,950	5,630
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	30	40	30	300	1,320	1,720
Italy (3)	820	560	15,660	6,620	1,300	1,390	1,430	520	1,310	2,390	32,000
Japan	20	30	10	40	30	40	30	40	80	290	610
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	20	70	120
Netherlands (4)	9,670	9,000	14,540	20,300	15,760	32,150	9,720	34,170	13,780	11,040	170,130
New Zealand	-	-	160	860	1,010	280	220	580	500	1,350	4,960
Norway	4,730	4,070	3,820	5,070	6,910	6,680	2,420	2,320	2,790	3,290	42,100
Poland	-	-	-	-	140	190	210	400	600	1,390	2,930
Portugal	30	40	180	440	570	430	510	170	210	60	2,640
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	520	210	2,300	3,030
Slovakia	-	-	-	-	20	30	60	60	80	40	290
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	10	100	130
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,970	2,780	14,460	22,210
Spain	2,070	2,990	5,480	10,590	16,250	12,190	6,080	4,350	4,620	5,140	69,760
Sweden (1)	-	15,920	20,370	18,620	43,940	14,990	5,570	3,100	5,150	6,500	134,160
Switzerland (1)	12,710	11,150	28,530	29,500	18,700	18,740	13,460	14,230	13,430	11,660	172,110
United Kingdom (4)	890	710	2,330	2,680	4,710	12,660	17,710	28,040	22,780	17,470	109,980
United States (1)(5)	31,550	24,160	4,170	6,510	17,980	28,890	14,090	2,500	2,460	3,190	135,500
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<b>Total</b>	<b>192,130</b>	<b>281,100</b>	<b>324,450</b>	<b>341,800</b>	<b>541,640</b>	<b>417,530</b>	<b>240,800</b>	<b>273,930</b>	<b>240,710</b>	<b>269,130</b>	<b>3,123,220</b>
<i>of which:</i>											-
- Eastern Europe	-	320	150	230	330	540	680	1,470	3,240	7,370	14,330
- Northern Europe	5,730	21,030	27,150	27,710	57,000	34,850	29,510	37,970	36,220	32,790	309,960
- Southern Europe	5,880	8,350	28,360	20,970	18,830	14,680	9,070	6,710	8,380	11,440	132,670
- Western Europe	147,510	223,170	254,110	264,460	425,940	325,090	176,310	206,400	163,770	179,940	2,366,700
Europe	159,120	252,870	309,770	313,370	502,100	375,160	215,570	252,550	211,610	231,540	2,823,660
- European Union	141,680	237,330	277,270	278,570	476,160	349,200	199,010	234,510	192,140	209,120	2,594,990

Northern America	32,660	28,000	13,040	17,580	29,430	35,330	18,190	9,540	11,570	13,510	208,850
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**Notes**

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable. Figures usually refer to the number of persons.

In case the asylum procedure includes an administrative review or appeal process, such decisions are generally included. As a result, negative decisions may have been double counted (in first instance and in appeal/review).

(1) Rejections in appeal/review not available.

(2) Includes "re-opened" applications.

(3) Includes refugee determination carried out under the UNHCR mandate.

(4) Number of cases.

(5) Number of cases. During 1989-1998, the average number of persons per case was 1.38. Data refer to US Fiscal Year (FY) (1 October - 30 September). In addition, the Executive Office of Immigration Review rejected some 19,200 asylum applications during FY 1997, and some 17,600 asylum applications during FY 1998.

Source: Governments.

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**Table V.5 Asylum applications closed on other grounds in selected countries, 1989-1998(\*)**

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,510	5,510
Belgium	80	110	170	290	330	260	200	340	330	370	2,480
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	130	90	230	470
Canada	390	640	1,790	2,110	5,000	3,400	3,480	5,230	5,810	6,210	34,060
Czech Rep.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	920	2,150	3,070
Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finland (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	250	250
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany (2)	24,750	26,060	27,610	43,530	149,170	78,620	58,780	43,800	50,690	5,990	509,000
Greece	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hungary	-	-	390	340	300	520	-	130	340	1,170	3,190
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110	110
Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	50
Japan	10	-	10	-	20	10	20	10	30	40	150
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	30
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	140	100	190	60	490
Netherlands (3)	1,200	3,650	7,940	19,280	11,930	6,710	29,180	26,310	18,370	21,680	146,250
New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	240	240
Norway	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poland	-	-	-	-	240	360	420	1,460	3,160	1,760	7,400
Portugal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	170	210
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	80	60	230
Slovakia	-	-	-	-	30	70	190	190	540	220	1,240
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	60	60	130
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	990	400	130	1,520
Spain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden (1)	-	-	-	5,170	6,070	1,860	560	1,130	900	620	16,310
Switzerland (1)	2,820	4,660	7,560	6,000	7,150	3,450	3,150	4,210	7,540	10,880	57,420
United Kingdom (4)(5)	-	-	1,060	15,790	5,990	3,850	3,600	3,630	6,170	4,850	44,940
United States (6)	64,310	20,010	10,280	11,570	11,240	16,380	37,150	50,700	62,870	34,600	319,110
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<b>Total</b>	<b>93,560</b>	<b>55,130</b>	<b>56,810</b>	<b>104,080</b>	<b>197,470</b>	<b>115,490</b>	<b>136,890</b>	<b>138,500</b>	<b>158,490</b>	<b>97,440</b>	<b>1,153,860</b>
<i>of which:</i>											-
- Eastern Europe	-	-	390	340	570	950	630	2,000	5,130	5,590	15,600
- Northern Europe	-	-	1,060	20,960	12,060	5,710	4,160	4,760	7,070	5,830	61,610
- Southern Europe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	60	280	390
- Western Europe	28,850	34,480	43,280	69,100	168,580	89,040	91,450	74,760	77,120	44,520	721,180
Europe	28,850	34,480	44,730	90,400	181,210	95,700	96,240	81,570	89,380	56,220	798,780
- European Union	26,030	29,820	36,780	84,060	173,490	91,300	92,460	75,350	76,650	39,660	725,600
Northern America	64,700	20,650	12,070	13,680	16,240	19,780	40,630	55,930	68,680	40,810	353,170

**Notes**

(\*) Otherwise closed decisions refer to cases which are closed (rejected) on the basis of formal grounds, because the applicant has "disappeared", died, etc. However, States follow different practices and have different grounds to close asylum applications, whereas some States consider these decisions as rejections. Therefore, the possibility to compare the figures on otherwise closed cases between countries is limited.

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable. Figures usually refer to the number of persons.

In case the asylum procedure includes an administrative review or appeal process, such decisions are generally included.

(1) Otherwise closed decisions in appeal/review are not included.

(2) Includes "re-opened" applications.

(3) Includes "manifestly unfounded", "inadmissible" and "other".

(4) Includes "refused on the basis of safe third country grounds" and "non-compliance".

(5) Cases.

(6) Number of cases. Data refer to Fiscal Year (1 Oct. - 30 Sept.). In addition, some 26,100 asylum applications were closed in review during FY 1997, and some 25,200 asylum applications during FY 1998.

Source: Governments.

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**Table V.6 Total number of decisions taken on asylum applications in selected countries, 1989-1998(\*)**

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Australia	410	290	1,660	10,560	10,060	7,750	7,470	7,630	15,180	10,470	71,480
Austria	15,010	12,640	19,690	23,490	15,400	9,020	7,620	8,750	7,930	9,500	129,050
Belgium	1,320	1,730	2,810	4,630	5,170	6,630	5,730	7,450	9,500	6,890	51,860
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	320	270	430	1,120
Canada	6,250	15,190	30,080	30,620	30,550	25,070	17,190	21,800	24,940	29,410	231,100
Czech Rep.	-	30	780	260	250	280	80	190	2,440	2,810	7,120
Denmark	4,390	1,940	2,460	2,660	2,550	1,990	22,860	10,050	9,330	7,940	66,170
Finland	170	490	2,350	2,070	3,550	900	510	600	580	870	12,090
France	31,170	87,360	78,450	36,650	35,490	29,720	28,960	22,200	24,170	22,750	396,920
Germany (1)	120,610	148,840	168,020	216,360	513,530	342,590	200,190	194,560	170,800	147,390	2,222,890
Greece	4,590	5,900	7,370	3,530	750	760	1,250	1,880	2,450	4,190	32,670
Hungary	40	2,890	990	1,050	860	930	560	740	1,360	4,790	14,210
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	20
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	40	70	70	640	1,620	2,440
Italy	1,940	1,390	16,470	6,960	1,430	1,680	1,720	690	1,650	3,470	37,400
Japan	30	40	20	50	60	50	60	50	110	350	820
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	220	220
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	-	170	570
Netherlands	12,980	14,200	25,180	51,380	42,700	58,210	57,410	84,070	49,140	47,820	443,090
New Zealand	-	-	320	1,010	1,060	330	300	660	600	1,820	6,100
Norway	10,210	5,670	5,820	7,240	14,930	13,030	5,070	3,780	3,970	5,430	75,150
Poland	-	-	-	-	430	950	740	1,990	3,910	3,210	11,230
Portugal	50	50	210	460	640	460	560	260	220	260	3,170
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	710	370	2,640	3,720
Slovakia	-	-	-	60	80	150	310	380	690	310	1,980
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	70	180	280
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,260	6,660	16,250	32,170
Spain	2,340	3,480	6,030	10,850	17,540	12,820	6,770	4,780	4,970	6,100	75,680
Sweden	23,320	27,310	37,300	33,180	85,550	54,290	9,810	7,430	14,460	14,190	306,840
Switzerland	16,350	16,690	37,250	36,900	29,690	25,120	19,250	20,710	23,610	24,580	250,150
United Kingdom (2)	6,960	4,030	6,080	34,900	23,410	20,990	27,010	38,960	36,050	31,570	229,960
United States (3)	102,800	48,340	16,550	22,000	34,230	53,400	63,690	66,730	75,260	47,730	530,730
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<b>Total</b>	<b>360,940</b>	<b>398,500</b>	<b>465,890</b>	<b>536,870</b>	<b>869,910</b>	<b>667,160</b>	<b>485,690</b>	<b>516,730</b>	<b>491,330</b>	<b>455,380</b>	<b>5,248,400</b>
<i>of which:</i>											-
- Eastern Europe	40	2,920	1,770	1,370	1,620	2,310	1,790	4,330	9,040	14,190	39,380
- Northern Europe	45,050	39,440	54,010	80,050	129,990	91,240	65,330	60,890	65,030	61,640	692,670
- Southern Europe	8,920	10,820	30,080	21,800	20,360	15,720	10,300	7,640	9,360	14,200	149,200
- Western Europe	197,440	281,460	331,400	369,410	641,980	471,290	319,560	337,740	285,150	259,320	3,494,750
Europe	251,450	334,640	417,260	472,630	793,950	580,560	396,980	410,600	368,580	349,350	4,376,000
- European Union	224,850	309,360	372,420	427,120	747,710	540,100	370,870	381,750	331,890	304,730	4,010,800
Northern America	109,050	63,530	46,630	52,620	64,780	78,470	80,880	88,530	100,200	77,140	761,830

**Notes**

(\*) Generally, the decisions consist of positive (Convention or humanitarian status) decisions, rejections and cases that are otherwise closed.

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable. Figures usually refer to the number of persons.

In case the asylum procedure includes an administrative review or appeal process, such decisions are generally included.

See also footnotes in preceding tables.

(1) Includes "reopened" applications.

(2) Number of cases. During 1989-1998, the average number of persons per case was 2.10.

(3) Concerns number of cases granted asylum, denied and otherwise closed. Data refer to US Fiscal Year (FY) (1 October - 30 September). In addition, the Executive Office of Immigration Review decided some 50,600 asylum applications during FY 1997, and some 48,800 asylum applications during FY 1998.

Source: Governments.



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Table V.7 Asylum applications pending at the end of the year in selected countries, 1989-1998(\*)

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,620	2,300
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belgium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,300	1,300	1,360	1,760
Canada	6,420	13,510	13,460	15,000	19,950	17,080	26,320	21,800	28,540	23,290
Czech Rep.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	930	600	1,880
Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Finland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	960	1,390
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany	101,630	152,390	247,190	477,570	296,300	150,000	82,640	48,660	35,830	45,530
Greece	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hungary	-	-	160	40	90	40	30	20	10	2,580
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110	1,280	2,990
Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japan	50	40	70	90	80	110	100	200	330	120
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	-
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,580	-	-	-
New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,300	2,910
Norway	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poland	-	-	-	-	-	-	130	1,870	1,090	1,250
Portugal	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	160	-	-
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,990	1,510	1,300	470
Slovakia	-	-	-	30	50	30	80	110	70	200
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	10	10	330
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,660	14,390	21,790	20,210
Spain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Switzerland	40,110	57,910	61,690	47,750	40,680	29,600	25,510	23,900	25,730	44,660
United Kingdom (1)	-	34,050	72,070	49,110	45,810	55,260	69,650	57,410	51,800	64,770
United States (2)	71,990	97,290	137,050	219,010	333,650	424,460	464,120	453,580	398,600	360,660
Total	220,200	355,190	531,690	808,600	736,610	676,590	693,270	625,960	576,310	577,310
<i>of which:</i>										
- Eastern Europe	-	-	160	70	140	70	3,530	5,740	4,430	8,140
- Northern Europe	-	34,050	72,070	49,110	45,810	55,260	69,650	57,520	54,040	69,150
- Southern Europe	-	-	-	-	-	10	160	170	10	330
- Western Europe	141,740	210,300	308,880	525,320	336,980	179,600	121,730	72,560	61,650	90,200
Europe	141,740	244,350	381,110	574,500	382,930	234,940	195,070	135,990	120,130	167,820
- European Union	101,630	186,440	319,260	526,680	342,110	205,260	166,020	106,340	89,960	114,680
Northern America	78,410	110,800	150,510	234,010	353,600	441,540	490,440	475,380	427,140	383,950

**Notes**

(\*) Pending cases refer to asylum applications which have been submitted, but not yet decided. Data are available for a limited number of countries only.

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable. Figures usually refer to the number of persons.

In case the asylum procedure includes an administrative review or appeal process, such cases are generally included. Thus, cases pending in front of judicial courts are excluded.

See also footnotes in preceding tables.

(1) Number of cases.

(2) Number of cases. Data refer to US Fiscal Year (FY) (1 October - 30 September). In addition, some 62,000 asylum applications were pending in review at the end of FY 1997, and some 68,500 at the end of FY 1998.

Source: Governments.

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Table V.8 Convention recognition rates in selected countries, 1989-1998 (percentages)(\*)

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Australia	19.5	31.8	11.4	5.8	9.9	13.3	9.1	18.1	6.6	23.8	12.0
Austria	19.2	6.8	12.5	9.8	7.8	7.5	13.0	8.2	8.1	5.3	10.2
Belgium	39.0	30.3	22.1	19.4	21.8	24.0	24.6	22.5	19.7	24.6	23.0
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	52.1	45.5	46.9	20.2	36.6
Canada	75.9	70.5	64.6	57.0	46.2	60.7	55.9	43.8	40.2	43.8	53.5
Czech Rep.	-	100.0	99.9	96.6	95.7	40.5	74.7	87.1	3.9	2.8	25.5
Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-	21.7	14.3	10.5	13.8	19.6
Finland	5.9	3.1	0.8	1.3	0.5	2.8	1.4	2.2	1.6	0.9	1.2
France	28.1	15.4	19.7	28.0	27.9	23.7	15.6	19.6	17.0	17.5	20.6
Germany	5.0	4.4	6.9	4.2	3.2	7.5	11.7	12.4	10.7	7.7	6.9
Greece	35.6	19.4	4.5	5.7	5.3	11.9	16.1	8.7	5.3	3.7	12.5
Hungary	97.2	89.0	45.4	46.8	46.1	27.4	31.9	23.3	11.7	9.1	36.2
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	11.1	22.7	48.6	33.4	10.4	17.9
Italy	57.8	59.5	4.9	4.8	8.8	17.7	16.6	24.8	21.0	29.6	14.3
Japan	6.3	5.4	5.3	6.5	10.9	2.0	1.8	2.0	0.9	4.3	4.1
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24.7	8.7
Netherlands	8.0	4.9	3.1	9.5	24.2	11.4	13.9	10.5	13.5	4.9	11.3
New Zealand	-	-	49.1	15.1	4.6	15.0	25.9	13.3	16.9	12.9	14.9
Norway	3.5	2.3	2.1	1.9	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.2	2.2	1.9	1.4
Poland	-	-	-	-	14.1	41.7	14.4	6.3	3.8	1.9	8.0
Portugal	46.3	18.0	12.2	3.7	11.7	6.8	8.7	1.9	1.8	1.6	7.7
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.3	21.6	6.6	9.4
Slovakia	-	-	-	100.0	45.8	35.8	21.1	33.4	9.4	15.9	23.0
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	-	-	0.6	1.1
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.7	52.3	10.2	26.3
Spain	11.3	14.1	9.2	2.4	7.3	4.9	6.9	5.1	3.1	3.9	6.1
Sweden	13.2	7.9	3.8	1.9	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.7	9.1	7.7	3.8
Switzerland	5.0	5.3	3.1	3.8	12.9	11.7	13.8	10.9	11.2	8.3	8.2
United Kingdom	31.8	22.9	8.3	3.2	6.8	3.9	4.8	5.7	11.1	16.9	8.7
United States (1)	6.8	8.6	12.7	17.8	14.6	15.2	19.6	20.3	13.2	20.8	14.3
Total	11.4	11.8	12.9	10.3	7.9	11.0	14.8	14.5	13.5	13.0	11.8
<i>of which:</i>											
- Eastern Europe	100.0	89.0	69.5	58.4	45.7	35.5	26.3	19.2	7.6	6.3	23.2
- Northern Europe	14.1	10.0	5.6	3.3	2.6	2.6	9.9	6.4	10.1	12.7	6.7
- Southern Europe	34.2	22.7	5.7	3.8	7.6	6.7	9.7	7.6	6.8	10.1	9.6
- Western Europe	10.1	8.2	9.7	7.8	6.7	9.4	12.8	12.4	12.0	8.5	9.5
Europe	11.7	9.6	9.1	7.0	6.1	8.4	12.3	11.5	11.4	9.2	9.1
- European Union	12.6	9.2	9.6	7.2	5.9	8.3	12.4	11.6	11.6	9.5	9.2

Northern America	10.7	23.4	46.2	40.6	29.5	29.8	27.3	26.1	19.9	29.6	26.2
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**Notes**

(\*) The number of refugees granted Convention status divided by the total number of decisions taken in each year.

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable.

See also footnotes in preceding tables .

(1) Excluding decisions in administrative review

Source: Governments.

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Table V.9 Total recognition rates in selected countries, 1989-1998 (percentages)(\*)

Country of asylum	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Australia	19.5	31.8	11.4	5.8	9.9	13.3	9.1	18.1	6.6	23.8	12.0
Austria	19.2	6.8	12.5	9.8	7.8	7.5	13.0	8.2	8.1	5.3	10.2
Belgium	39.0	30.3	22.1	19.4	21.8	24.0	24.6	22.5	19.7	24.6	23.0
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	70.8	49.8	47.6	22.0	40.4
Canada	75.9	70.5	64.6	57.0	46.2	60.7	55.9	43.8	40.2	43.8	53.5
Czech Rep.	-	100.0	99.9	96.6	95.7	40.5	74.7	87.1	3.9	2.8	25.5
Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-	86.7	81.7	58.3	54.5	85.4
Finland	35.3	32.1	73.3	35.1	59.6	45.6	46.8	58.6	52.1	44.1	53.5
France	28.1	15.4	19.7	28.0	27.9	23.7	15.6	19.6	17.0	17.5	20.6
Germany (1)	5.0	4.4	6.9	4.2	3.2	7.5	13.5	13.5	12.3	9.4	7.3
Greece	35.6	19.4	4.5	5.7	5.3	11.9	16.1	12.2	9.1	10.6	13.9
Hungary (2)	97.2	89.0	45.4	46.8	46.1	27.4	31.9	23.3	11.7	14.0	37.9
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68.8	68.8
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	25.0	34.8	56.8	52.3	12.1	24.8
Italy	57.8	59.5	4.9	4.8	8.8	17.7	16.6	24.8	21.0	29.6	14.3
Japan	6.3	5.4	5.3	6.5	10.9	2.0	1.8	2.0	0.9	4.3	4.1
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	88.6	88.6
Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24.7	8.7
Netherlands	16.2	10.9	10.7	23.0	35.2	33.2	32.2	28.1	34.6	31.6	28.6
New Zealand	-	-	49.1	15.1	4.6	15.0	25.9	13.3	16.9	12.9	14.9
Norway	53.7	28.3	34.4	29.9	53.7	48.7	52.3	38.6	29.7	39.4	44.0
Poland	-	-	-	-	14.1	41.7	14.4	6.3	3.8	1.9	8.0
Portugal	46.3	18.0	12.2	3.7	11.7	6.8	8.7	22.8	7.2	12.5	10.7
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.3	21.6	10.5	12.1
Slovakia	-	-	-	100.0	45.8	35.8	21.1	33.4	9.4	15.9	23.0
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	-	-	15.0	10.2
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35.7	52.3	10.2	26.3
Spain	11.3	14.1	9.2	2.4	7.3	4.9	10.3	9.1	7.2	15.8	7.8
Sweden	100.0	41.7	45.4	28.3	41.5	69.0	37.6	43.1	58.2	49.8	51.0
Switzerland	11.0	6.1	5.6	21.9	54.2	66.7	75.8	50.4	36.5	36.8	35.4
United Kingdom	87.3	82.5	44.4	47.1	54.3	21.4	21.1	18.7	19.7	29.3	32.7
United States (1)	6.8	8.6	12.7	17.8	14.6	15.2	19.6	20.3	13.2	20.8	14.3
Total	21.2	15.7	18.5	18.3	16.5	22.2	25.5	22.7	20.8	21.7	20.1
<i>of which:</i>											
- Eastern Europe	100.0	89.0	69.5	58.4	45.7	35.5	27.4	19.4	7.6	8.7	24.1
- Northern Europe	87.9	47.6	49.1	40.0	47.2	56.0	49.2	33.8	35.0	37.9	47.4
- Southern Europe	34.2	22.7	5.7	3.8	7.6	6.7	12.0	11.8	10.1	17.5	10.9
- Western Europe	11.2	8.5	10.5	11.5	9.3	15.1	21.0	19.8	18.7	17.1	13.9
Europe	25.8	14.3	15.4	16.1	15.5	21.4	25.4	21.7	21.1	20.5	19.2

- European Union	25.5	13.8	15.9	15.2	13.2	18.5	22.4	20.0	20.2	19.3	17.7
Northern America	10.7	23.4	46.2	40.6	29.5	29.8	27.3	26.1	19.9	29.6	26.2

**Notes**

(\*) Number of refugees granted Convention and humanitarian status divided by the total number of decisions taken.

A dash ("-") indicates that value is zero, rounded to zero, not available or not applicable.

See also footnotes in preceding tables .

(1) Excluding decisions in administrative review (EOIR).

Source: Governments.



- Western Europe	590	700	590	640	660	550	610	620	190	-	5,150
Europe	5,150	5,170	5,270	7,920	7,380	13,340	6,890	4,500	3,840	3,000	62,460
- European Union	4,070	4,200	4,130	5,880	5,910	12,650	5,300	3,710	2,500	1,880	50,230
Northern America	145,130	157,550	140,100	147,850	134,980	125,090	112,150	87,890	91,830	97,070	1,239,640

#### Notes

(\*) These figures may include persons who do not meet the international refugee definition. Data generally exclude family reunification.

A dash ("-") indicates that the value is zero, rounded to zero or not available.

(1) Including refugees resettled on humanitarian grounds

(2) Including resettled Bosnians (source: UNHCR).

(3) Data refer to New Zealand Fiscal Year (1 July through 30 June).

(4) Including temporary protection for Bosnians.

(5) Cases only.

(6) Including family reunification. Data refer to US Fiscal Year (1 Oct. - 30 Sep.).

Source: Governments.



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**Table V.11 Asylum applications by gender in selected countries, 1989-1998**

Country of asylum		1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Canada	Female	6,880	12,640	12,300	14,810	7,980	-	-	-	-	-	54,610
	Male	13,060	24,080	20,040	22,940	13,080	-	-	-	-	-	93,200
	Total	19,940	36,720	32,340	37,750	21,060	-	-	-	-	-	147,810
	% female	34.5	34.4	38.0	39.2	37.9	-	-	-	-	-	36.9
Czech Republic	Female	-	410	580	280	840	390	520	830	-	-	3,850
	Male	-	1,380	1,400	540	1,350	800	900	1,330	-	-	7,700
	Total	-	1,790	1,980	820	2,190	1,190	1,420	2,160	-	-	11,550
	% female	-	22.9	29.3	34.1	38.4	32.8	36.6	38.4	-	-	33.3
Italy	Female	-	-	-	900	-	-	-	-	-	-	900
	Male	-	-	-	5,090	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,090
	Total	-	-	-	5,990	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,990
	% female	-	-	-	15.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.0
Netherlands (1)	Female	3,590	6,160	2,120	5,650	-	18,140	10,430	-	11,300	-	57,390
	Male	10,310	15,050	4,460	11,820	-	33,860	18,830	-	22,930	-	117,260
	Total	13,900	21,210	6,580	17,470	-	52,000	29,260	-	34,230	-	174,650
	% female	25.8	29.0	32.2	32.3	-	34.9	35.6	-	33.0	-	32.9
Sweden	Female	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,530	2,180	3,640	-	9,350
	Male	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,520	3,580	6,020	-	15,120
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,050	5,760	9,660	-	24,470
	% female	-	-	-	-	-	-	39.0	37.8	37.7	-	38.2
Switzerland	Female	-	-	-	-	8,330	5,750	5,460	5,210	-	11,590	24,750
	Male	-	-	-	-	16,410	10,380	11,560	12,800	-	29,720	51,150
	Total	-	-	-	-	24,740	16,130	17,020	18,010	-	41,310	75,900
	% female	-	-	-	-	33.7	35.6	32.1	28.9	-	28.1	32.6
Total	Female	10,460	19,210	15,000	21,640	17,150	24,280	19,940	8,210	14,940	11,590	150,830
	Male	23,370	40,510	25,900	40,390	30,840	45,040	36,800	17,700	28,950	29,720	289,500
	Total	33,840	59,720	40,900	62,030	47,990	69,320	56,750	25,930	43,890	41,310	440,370
	% female	30.9	32.2	36.7	34.9	35.7	35.0	35.1	31.7	34.0	28.1	34.3

**Note**

(1) 1991: October to December only.

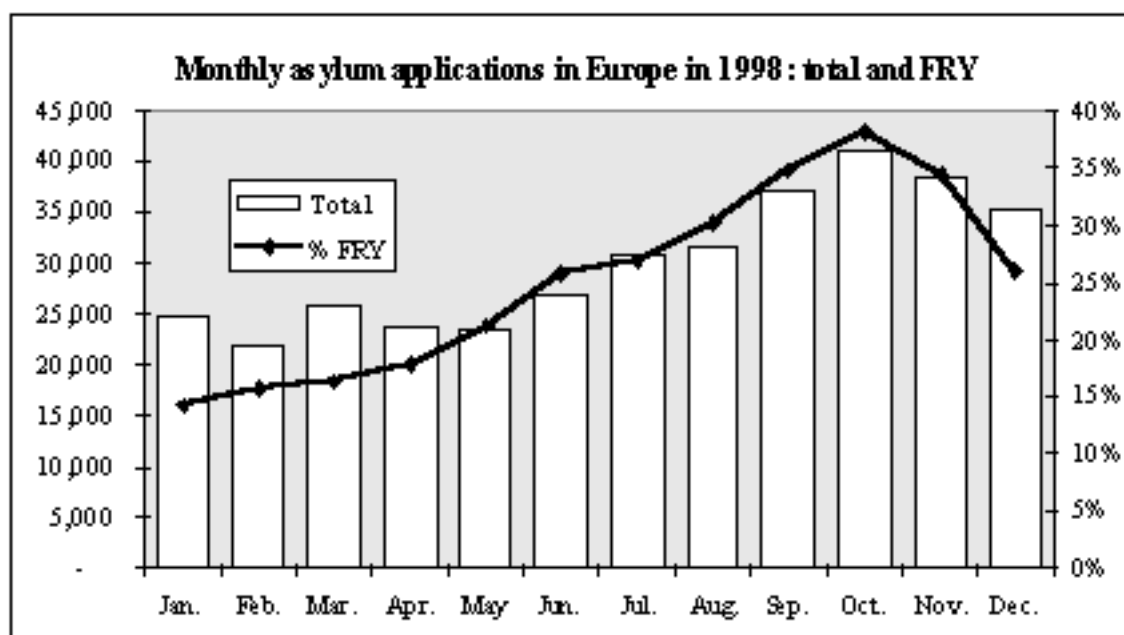
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### Chapter VI. Asylum-seekers in Europe

During 1998, citizens of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia submitted some 94,000 asylum applications in the 17 European asylum countries listed in Table VI.1, 27 per cent of the total number of applications submitted (352,000). The second largest group applying for asylum in Europe comprised Iraqi citizens (10 per cent), followed by Turkish asylum-seekers (6 per cent).

The same three nationalities were also the leading recipients of 1951 Convention status during 1998, albeit in a different order (see [Table VI.2](#)). The main refugee populations receiving humanitarian status during 1998 were Algerians and Angolans (Table VI.3).

During 1998, monthly asylum applications in Europe reached a peak in October, when more than 40,000 persons applied for asylum, mainly due to the inflow of citizens from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (see [Table VI.4](#) and [VI.5](#) and box below).



During the past ten years, citizens from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, including former Yugoslavia, lodged 19 per cent of all asylum applications submitted in Europe, followed by Romanian (10 per cent) and Turkish (9 per cent) asylum-seekers (see box below). The first African **country of origin** of asylum-seekers in Europe, Somalia, ranks ninth in the top-ten countries of origin of asylum-seekers.

Origin of asylum-seekers in Europe, 1989-1998					
Origin	Total	%	Origin	Total	%
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	768,700	19.0	Sri Lanka	154,020	3.8
Romania	400,820	9.9	Bulgaria	112,330	2.8
Turkey	372,440	9.2	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	111,550	2.8
Iraq	157,850	3.9	Somalia	111,080	2.7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	155,360	3.8	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	108,150	2.7

During the past 10 years, almost 100,000 citizens from Bosnia and Herzegovina were granted Convention refugee or humanitarian status through the individual asylum procedures in Europe (Table VI.8). However, the actual number of Bosnian asylum-seekers granted protection over the past ten years is significantly higher, as a substantial number of Bosnians were granted protection outside the individual procedures.

[Table VI.1](#) Asylum applications submitted by origin, Europe, 1998

[Table VI.2](#) Recognition of asylum-seekers under the 1951 Convention, Europe, 1998

[Table VI.3](#) Humanitarian status granted to asylum-seekers, Europe, 1998

[Table VI.4](#) Monthly asylum applications lodged, Europe, 1998 (all nationalities)

[Table VI.5](#) Monthly asylum applications lodged by citizens of the Federal Rep. of Yugoslavia, Europe, 1998

[Table VI.6](#) Asylum applications by origin, Europe, 1989-1998 (totals)

[Table VI.7](#) Asylum applications by origin, Europe, 1989-1998 (by year)

[Table VI.8](#) Recognition of asylum-seekers under the 1951 Convention and those granted humanitarian status by origin, Europe, 1989-1998

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Table VI.1 Asylum applications by origin, Europe, 1998

Origin	AUS	BEL	CZE	DEN	FRA	GFR	GRE	HUN	IRE	ITA	NET	NOR	POL	SPA	SWE	SWI	GBR (*)	TOTAL
Yugoslavia, Fed .Rep. of	6,647	6,057	714	368	1,283	34,979	9	3,296	138	2,583	4,289	1,623	416	172	3,446	20,396	7,420	93,836
Iraq	1,963	231	308	1,921	331	7,435	2,166	542	47	2,270	8,300	1,296	129	133	3,843	2,041	1,295	34,251
Turkey	210	403	11	72	1,621	11,754	308	153	*	1,254	1,222	129	19	11	280	1,565	2,015	21,027
Afghanistan	467	200	1,265	332	149	3,768	202	1,077	8	55	7,118	45	331	27	330	245	2,395	18,014
Sri Lanka	159	242	368	142	1,832	1,982	*	81	*	45	1,049	173	643	9	41	1,901	3,505	12,172
Somalia	81	522	10	617	91	1,078	18	78	75	25	2,775	938	48	42	228	610	4,685	11,921
Bosnia and Herzegovina	78	234	16	202	294	1,533	-	*	16	*	3,769	233	-	312	1,331	1,891	160	10,069
Romania	51	1,572	27	*	3,027	341	-	124	998	127	59	76	12	1,065	22	92	1,015	8,608
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	950	101	11	170	153	2,955	94	45	*	62	1,679	264	6	79	613	168	745	8,095
Algeria	280	337	96	23	920	1,572	16	314	178	56	821	39	21	1,581	50	529	1,260	8,093
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	150	1,714	18	16	1,778	948	18	8	246	105	411	5	*	207	35	536	660	6,855
Albania	75	1,147	*	18	239	761	6	*	11	73	243	7	6	38	71	3,752	-	6,447
Pakistan	242	437	76	73	813	1,520	*	127	27	58	211	140	179	116	122	314	1,975	6,430
China	32	23	-	25	2,076	869	-	10	*	-	919	10	*	9	19	86	1,925	6,003
Russian Federation	59	277	61	60	220	867	*	19	83	13	519	131	47	154	229	193	2,820	5,752
Nigeria	189	167	94	23	259	664	8	98	1,729	6	342	6	25	253	34	239	1,380	5,516
Armenia	76	697	77	108	170	1,655	*	51	13	12	711	31	978	178	40	481	-	5,278
India	472	204	299	172	463	1,491	20	61	14	9	72	10	95	11	20	162	1,030	4,605
Georgia	25	490	34	60	127	1,979	-	*	5	18	290	*	20	211	11	813	-	4,083
Other	1,599	6,909	597	1,297	6,529	20,493	88	1,281	1,038	341	10,418	3,218	398	2,046	2,079	5,288	11,730	75,349
Africa	1,448	6,137	269	881	6,233	11,458	107	978	2,755	457	9,856	1,228	154	3,317	595	4,525	12,380	62,778
Asia	4,956	3,713	2,663	3,282	9,494	43,725	2,823	2,528	212	3,823	24,330	2,267	2,614	906	5,955	8,573	16,835	138,699
Europe	7,063	11,919	1,048	1,163	5,978	41,024	18	3,544	1,636	2,820	10,059	4,587	574	1,903	5,488	27,181	15,640	141,645
Latin America and Car.	12	136	-	12	517	261	1	2	3	6	143	204	2	501	495	560	975	3,830
Other/Unknown	326	59	102	361	153	2,176	4	313	20	6	829	88	29	27	311	463	185	5,452
Total	13,805	21,964	4,082	5,699	22,375	98,644	2,953	7,365	4,626	7,112	45,217	8,374	3,373	6,654	12,844	41,302	46,015	352,404

**Notes**

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Table VI.2 Recognition of asylum-seekers under the 1951 Convention, Europe, 1998

Origin	AUS	BEL	CZE	DEN	FRA	GFR	GRE	HUN	ITA	NET	NOR	POL	SPA	SWE	SWI	GBR (*)	TOTAL
Iraq	77	51	6	106	134	3,634	69	43	323	641	33	5	*	231	253	510	6,116
Turkey	22	86	-	*	358	3,233	33	-	343	41	*	-	*	18	465	40	4,639
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of	124	140	-	237	185	1,134	-	35	101	66	-	-	-	19	292	935	3,268
Somalia	7	39	-	17	45	*	-	*	*	19	5	7	5	5	18	2,330	2,497
Afghanistan	51	31	15	103	64	218	*	177	-	856	*	11	7	18	94	35	1,680
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	56	28	-	20	68	824	22	*	37	162	9	*	12	103	54	125	1,520
Bosnia and Herzegovina	17	42	*	9	64	36	-	-	-	40	-	-	-	563	375	45	1,191
Sri Lanka	*	*	-	*	816	230	*	-	*	26	-	8	*	*	28	50	1,158
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	16	273	9	*	251	100	7	*	54	15	-	*	9	-	23	10	767
Rwanda	5	388	-	*	73	7	*	-	17	25	-	*	*	-	21	145	681
Stateless	*	-	5	307	23	254	-	-	-	26	-	7	*	*	-	-	622
Syrian Arab Rep.	-	15	-	*	*	437	-	-	*	55	-	-	*	7	21	-	535
Algeria	*	57	-	6	40	27	*	10	16	23	5	-	20	*	13	310	527
Cambodia	7	-	-	-	484	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	506
Viet Nam	12	25	*	21	236	40	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	88	-	422
Azerbaijan	-	*	7	*	11	246	-	-	-	80	-	-	10	-	-	-	354
Sudan	5	6	-	*	38	30	*	7	14	145	-	*	-	*	16	55	316
Tunisia	6	*	-	-	40	99	-	-	*	17	-	-	*	*	102	-	264
Colombia	*	9	-	-	12	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	40	22	29	150	262
Burundi	-	166	-	10	26	*	-	*	-	*	-	-	-	*	29	-	231
Togo	5	19	-	-	16	158	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	*	10	220
Pakistan	*	21	-	-	11	141	-	*	8	5	*	*	5	-	8	5	204
Other	90	274	34	67	984	472	25	166	113	114	14	24	127	101	88	575	3,268
Africa	91	1,100	15	52	936	631	16	84	144	281	12	22	82	34	257	3,310	7,067
Asia	237	304	41	291	2,485	9,157	132	228	731	1,914	52	26	59	382	1,058	835	17,932

Europe	160	242	13	247	443	1,227	1	39	145	126	2	7	2	607	676	1,010	4,947
Latin Am. and Car.	2	20	-	6	85	22	-	-	3	1	-	-	88	65	38	175	505
Other/Unknown	10	4	7	307	30	283	7	87	3	34	-	7	4	11	3	-	797
Total	500	1,670	76	903	3,979	11,320	156	438	1,026	2,356	66	62	235	1,099	2,032	5,330	31,248

**Notes**

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**Table VI.3 Humanitarian status granted to asylum-seekers, Europe, 1998**

Origin	Denmark (1)	Finland	Germany	Greece	Hungary	Netherlands	Norway (1)	Spain	Sweden	Switzerland (2)	United Kingdom	Total
Algeria	1,405	54	7	166	18	5,346	446	32	2,098	90	500	10,162
Angola	116	5	1,730	-	30	3,131	8	-	150	63	1,500	6,733
Benin	840	108	170	-	-	856	651	22	119	559	375	3,700
Botswana	5	93	37	16	166	97	55	-	1,230	266	75	2,040
Burkina Faso	23	6	34	-	*	118	11	-	343	713	20	1,268
Burundi	-	*	*	-	-	24	161	-	867	22	25	1,099
Cameroon	22	15	28	37	-	441	30	15	150	27	295	1,060
Cape Verde	53	16	13	*	-	135	60	*	5	531	10	823
Central African Rep.	*	*	*	11	*	678	21	*	12	*	-	722
Chad	19	7	17	-	-	120	*	16	17	44	405	645
Comoros	6	8	8	-	*	36	13	474	*	17	15	577
Congo	*	*	68	23	*	109	6	*	81	98	30	415
Côte d'Ivoire	*	6	*	-	-	358	-	-	16	*	15	395
Djibouti	-	12	34	-	-	131	-	-	*	162	60	399
Egypt	*	-	135	-	-	73	*	26	33	-	20	287
Equatorial Guinea	*	*	34	-	*	129	6	12	*	-	35	216
Eritrea	*	*	27	*	-	53	29	*	40	10	10	169
Ethiopia	*	-	47	-	-	90	-	7	34	-	-	178
Gabon	19	-	*	*	-	103	*	-	13	22	15	172
Gambia	11	*	6	-	-	50	19	-	86	-	-	172
Ghana	*	-	*	10	-	50	10	*	87	5	-	162



Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	158	-	-	158
Guinea-Bissau	47	-	-	5	-	70	*	-	15	16	-	153
Other	87	42	142	19	18	545	38	123	413	55	495	1,977
Africa	954	146	320	20	14	2,410	744	576	335	837	1,285	7,641
Asia	1,630	112	1,944	251	50	9,903	568	93	2,761	827	2,405	20,544
Europe	50	113	259	16	167	364	230	32	2,497	1,013	140	4,881
Latin Am. and Car.	2	-	1	-	-	-	3	26	220	-	70	322
Other/Unknown	17	1	13	-	1	66	19	-	154	23	-	294
Total	2,653	372	2,537	287	232	12,743	1,564	727	5,967	2,700	3,900	33,682

#### Notes

(1) Decisions in first instance only. (2) Provisional admission only. All statistics are provisional, subject to change.

See also footnotes [Table V.3](#)

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**Table VI.4 Monthly asylum applications lodged, Europe, 1998 (all nationalities)**

Asylum country	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Austria	724	706	804	703	680	909	1,112	1,278	2,051	1,757	1,531	1,550
Belgium	981	1,080	1,269	1,139	1,192	1,510	2,035	2,320	2,504	2,849	2,529	2,555
Bulgaria	41	40	110	90	54	32	77	45	67	81	81	113
Czech Rep.	219	175	143	127	96	122	139	273	250	790	758	1,036
Denmark	367	337	485	502	371	565	606	394	334	541	690	507
Finland	94	93	79	69	84	120	115	134	113	113	109	93
France	1,888	1,898	1,841	1,717	1,473	1,737	1,936	1,573	1,897	2,225	1,831	2,287
Germany (1)	8,373	6,011	7,213	6,477	6,798	7,864	8,484	8,378	9,651	10,230	10,883	8,338
Hungary	133	193	523	393	484	448	651	477	1,108	1,179	961	883
Ireland	321	425	632	407	390	440	449	407	313	246	278	318
Luxembourg	49	39	36	51	80	113	143	192	265	303	219	219
Netherlands	3,080	2,543	3,282	3,208	3,029	3,334	3,887	4,135	5,107	4,859	4,325	4,428
Norway	462	1,109	1,133	773	602	562	531	573	543	660	629	700
Poland	215	212	146	115	132	144	296	240	379	564	498	360
Romania	119	93	81	68	81	91	75	150	74	171	143	90
Slovak Rep.	41	3	13	1	26	18	33	49	51	54	73	144
Slovenia	3	2	12	15	3	4	16	57	34	84	80	27
Spain	456	451	532	576	599	480	534	566	627	654	454	557
Sweden	923	767	886	841	1,035	1,119	1,184	1,514	1,422	1,251	1,042	970
Switzerland	2,502	2,312	2,691	2,471	2,314	2,780	3,114	3,171	4,581	5,930	5,396	3,954
United Kingdom (2)	3,661	3,392	4,096	4,013	3,981	4,576	5,395	5,658	5,702	6,413	5,914	6,106
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,652</b>	<b>21,881</b>	<b>26,007</b>	<b>23,756</b>	<b>23,504</b>	<b>26,968</b>	<b>30,812</b>	<b>31,584</b>	<b>37,073</b>	<b>40,954</b>	<b>38,424</b>	<b>35,235</b>

### Notes

Statistics are provisional, subject to change.

(1) Excluding "re-opened" applications.

(2) Number of persons estimated by UNHCR on the basis of the number of applications (no of cases multiplied by 1.28).

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Table VI.5 Monthly asylum applications lodged by citizens of the Federal Rep. of Yugoslavia, Europe, 1998

Asylum country	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Austria	88	130	210	240	250	440	630	787	1,257	1,158	822	632
Belgium	69	140	222	245	283	395	660	713	914	1,060	710	646
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	11	1	3	5	1
Czech Rep.	-	5	15	5	5	15	25	100	15	275	166	98
Denmark	9	31	31	-	14	7	25	28	26	37	91	69
Finland	36	32	16	19	28	58	13	38	31	22	25	4
France	36	54	46	84	78	126	130	114	148	156	95	185
Germany (1)	1,690	1,401	1,838	1,606	2,071	2,804	3,002	3,432	4,431	5,086	4,994	2,901
Hungary	5	5	35	35	70	130	270	260	660	753	541	453
Ireland	4	3	5	17	11	8	6	13	11	16	20	13
Luxembourg	19							161	220	287	207	190
Netherlands	118	253	264	293	338	394	378	360	537	521	442	391
Norway	55	70	76	139	187	193	147	129	160	164	156	131
Poland	-	-	5	5	1	2	69	31	47	13	49	34
Romania	-	-	2	2			1	1	-	7	-	-
Slovak Rep.	1	1	1	-	-	6	7	6	-	4	20	6
Slovenia	-	2	11	6	-	3	15	3	30	73	68	18
Spain	-	1	17	23	16	22	16	9	18	14	19	8
Sweden	219	133	159	143	275	357	343	489	388	380	284	283
Switzerland	840	847	931	875	957	1,143	1,452	1,706	2,873	4,107	3,552	2,228
United Kingdom (2)	346	346	358	493	403	870	1,082	1,158	1,114	1,485	941	864
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,535</b>	<b>3,454</b>	<b>4,242</b>	<b>4,230</b>	<b>4,987</b>	<b>6,973</b>	<b>8,274</b>	<b>9,549</b>	<b>12,881</b>	<b>15,621</b>	<b>13,207</b>	<b>9,155</b>

### Notes

Statistics are provisional, subject to change.

(1) Excluding "re-opened" applications.

(2) Number of persons estimated by UNHCR on the basis of the number of applications (no of cases multiplied by 1.28).

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Table VI.6 Asylum applications by origin, Europe, 1989-1998 (totals)

Origin	Austria	Belgium	Denmark	Finland	France	Germany	Greece	Italy	Nether-lands	Norway	Spain	Sweden	Switzer-land	United Kingdom	Total
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of (1)	24,880	16,520	6,890	3,620	11,100	460,860	300	2,950	25,680	13,700	540	104,600	75,600	21,460	768,700
Romania	30,950	18,110	1,270	740	31,770	275,220	420	5,720	9,760	620	9,820	5,330	6,350	4,740	400,820
Turkey	10,870	8,210	620	630	48,360	235,700	4,610	1,510	7,920	560	190	4,520	30,530	18,210	372,440
Iraq	9,390	1,230	8,100	750	2,190	46,740	13,140	3,120	33,090	2,490	2,030	23,550	3,900	8,130	157,850
Bosnia and Herzegovina	4,620	2,880	14,740	60	1,560	46,080	-	-	25,330	8,140	1,520	31,150	19,120	160	155,360
Sri Lanka	990	960	2,440	240	23,460	50,570	450	310	15,810	3,280	90	1,480	29,990	23,950	154,020
Bulgaria	4,220	4,940	620	300	3,130	83,550	170	1,100	2,300	330	1,850	5,930	1,340	2,550	112,330
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	8,190	1,330	2,860	420	2,110	48,650	1,620	460	21,300	2,420	1,940	13,390	1,710	5,150	111,550
Somalia	660	1,340	9,010	2,870	1,910	16,430	90	2,440	29,240	4,220	320	10,810	8,100	23,640	111,080
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	550	18,340	120	330	29,710	27,960	60	370	7,340	130	1,050	770	6,070	15,350	108,150
Afghanistan	2,790	750	1,740	100	1,170	59,570	300	130	23,480	220	150	1,840	1,970	5,140	99,350
Pakistan	3,200	6,530	830	100	9,800	34,760	630	240	1,980	480	750	670	6,720	17,740	84,430
India	2,260	8,830	410	40	7,420	38,860	220	30	1,410	220	110	640	4,260	16,350	81,060
Lebanon	2,090	1,060	1,030	80	500	42,720	280	110	4,030	840	70	7,740	10,990	3,540	75,080
Poland	2,320	2,510	1,070	30	3,000	45,550	180	10	3,390	960	7,860	2,730	970	4,380	74,960
Viet Nam	950	640	490	30	12,000	55,970	-	40	850	70	80	210	1,130	30	72,490
Nigeria	2,310	4,110	350	110	1,570	33,850	20	70	4,330	60	2,040	470	2,110	18,340	69,740
Albania	2,060	3,510	90	60	1,820	19,370	1,490	21,220	2,070	120	120	320	11,100	20	63,370
Algeria	680	1,970	310	140	8,760	33,920	40	170	4,480	290	2,620	670	3,360	4,630	62,040
Russian Federation (2)	2,100	1,930	1,910	2,370	2,330	26,660	110	200	5,650	650	580	4,880	1,010	8,600	58,980
Ghana	1,370	7,070	220	140	4,780	23,240	20	70	2,490	120	280	230	1,920	12,650	54,600
China	210	840	440	50	14,800	14,130	30	30	7,100	120	2,740	520	370	7,300	48,680
Angola	220	2,800	30	110	9,860	10,870	-	220	4,800	20	1,680	230	5,760	10,140	46,740
Ethiopia	190	390	230	190	390	13,890	920	2,020	4,720	990	150	5,120	1,980	7,890	39,070
Armenia	90	3,070	680	20	800	23,880	-	20	3,340	50	860	360	730	-	33,900

Bangladesh	2,010	1,950	320	220	5,250	11,220	170	60	940	180	420	1,500	3,200	2,210	29,650
Syrian Arab Rep.	1,270	670	350	70	370	17,600	160	60	4,180	260	60	3,460	1,050	40	29,600
Liberia	640	1,980	180	60	890	14,720	20	110	3,610	50	2,420	250	990	1,340	27,260
Togo	30	2,150	180	10	650	17,420	-	30	690	50	60	570	280	2,960	25,080
Palestinians	-	140	6,770	30	110	16,330	90	10	20	-	40	-	80	-	23,620
Africa	8,310	53,990	13,320	4,370	113,030	267,060	1,540	6,610	74,790	7,580	19,820	24,660	36,830	136,220	768,130
Asia	44,860	39,400	20,910	2,970	143,300	713,410	21,640	6,150	132,030	11,510	10,340	62,070	99,100	116,890	1,424,580
Europe	76,400	57,810	28,810	7,690	57,040	1,013,430	2,730	31,340	83,070	27,740	23,400	160,330	117,800	49,260	1,736,850
Latin America and Car.	120	1,630	160	130	9,700	3,250	10	120	1,730	600	18,420	8,750	1,450	7,660	53,730
Other/Unknown	1,790	230	7,970	180	1,080	27,820	140	250	5,180	920	5,640	7,990	5,850	2,780	67,820
<b>Total</b>	<b>131,480</b>	<b>153,060</b>	<b>71,160</b>	<b>15,350</b>	<b>324,150</b>	<b>2,024,960</b>	<b>26,060</b>	<b>44,460</b>	<b>296,800</b>	<b>48,330</b>	<b>77,620</b>	<b>263,790</b>	<b>261,030</b>	<b>312,780</b>	<b>4,051,030</b>

**Notes**

(1) Including former Yugoslavia;

(2) Including former USSR;

United Kingdom: cases

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Table VI.7 Asylum applications by origin, Europe, 1989-1998 (by year)(\*)

Origin	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of (1)	26,040	33,210	115,500	219,720	97,370	53,240	48,320	37,570	48,060	89,640	768,670
Romania	14,700	62,120	61,650	116,030	86,110	21,120	13,570	8,570	9,530	7,450	400,850
Turkey	56,070	48,770	45,460	37,090	25,490	26,100	41,380	38,260	32,880	20,940	372,440
Iraq	4,220	7,440	8,950	10,700	9,830	9,950	15,060	22,600	35,810	33,310	157,870
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	0	0	13,830	75,910	24,050	16,950	6,450	8,120	10,060	155,370
Sri Lanka	19,540	19,250	23,710	16,800	12,590	12,910	12,650	12,440	13,020	11,120	154,030
Bulgaria	7,150	12,990	16,940	33,830	25,140	5,240	3,460	2,940	3,200	1,430	112,320
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	14,640	18,330	15,330	7,800	7,100	11,970	10,020	10,030	8,250	8,080	111,550
Somalia	7,800	12,230	11,060	14,610	13,280	12,420	11,780	7,540	8,520	11,850	111,090
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	10,760	11,830	17,560	17,770	11,700	8,810	7,720	7,670	7,710	6,600	108,130
Afghanistan	4,640	8,860	8,460	7,460	7,750	9,220	11,290	11,530	14,740	15,390	99,340
Pakistan	7,010	10,400	13,710	9,570	6,580	5,960	9,770	7,580	7,800	6,030	84,410
India	6,690	11,860	11,730	9,590	9,280	5,980	9,010	7,140	5,640	4,140	81,060
Lebanon	14,660	29,670	8,210	7,390	3,920	2,560	2,660	2,400	2,200	1,420	75,090
Poland	33,730	16,620	7,540	6,390	3,250	1,410	1,720	1,480	1,080	1,730	74,950
Viet Nam	3,850	13,440	11,560	13,660	12,400	4,120	3,710	2,750	3,490	3,500	72,480
Nigeria	2,720	8,120	12,400	12,660	4,280	6,310	8,860	6,310	4,510	3,590	69,760
Albania	180	4,350	26,270	7,340	6,450	1,910	1,260	1,470	7,700	6,460	63,390
Algeria	570	1,590	2,000	8,980	13,910	7,630	8,530	5,050	6,270	7,500	62,030
Russian Federation (2)	1,210	4,830	10,220	9,490	8,560	4,510	4,580	4,730	5,240	5,610	58,980
Ghana	8,050	9,400	11,110	10,460	5,510	3,100	3,180	1,640	1,360	790	54,600
China	2,270	2,630	5,270	5,360	7,590	4,480	3,920	4,260	6,890	6,000	48,670
Angola	5,290	9,700	11,220	2,150	4,030	4,860	3,140	2,450	1,890	2,000	46,730
Ethiopia	5,770	8,910	7,620	3,360	2,390	2,750	2,510	2,200	2,040	1,520	39,070
Armenia	0	0	0	970	7,260	3,880	5,530	6,510	5,560	4,170	33,880
Bangladesh	2,260	2,850	4,270	4,160	2,510	2,440	2,750	2,760	3,460	2,180	29,640
Syrian Arab Rep.	3,190	6,670	2,920	2,190	1,660	1,620	2,130	3,070	2,950	3,180	29,580
Liberia	120	1,350	4,530	6,860	4,740	2,030	2,180	2,950	1,840	660	27,260
Togo	280	520	3,200	4,670	4,290	5,020	1,780	1,720	2,460	1,140	25,080
Palestinians	3,800	7,250	2,760	3,830	2,560	1,750	520	640	440	80	23,630
Africa	58,310	85,350	108,820	111,850	90,910	74,330	70,760	53,930	54,980	58,890	768,130
Asia	142,660	184,480	164,440	139,180	122,430	108,480	138,610	139,490	153,740	131,070	1,424,580
Europe	93,430	136,900	240,930	418,530	319,670	122,530	102,000	72,930	94,510	135,410	1,736,840
Latin America and Car.	5,890	4,540	5,430	7,710	7,300	7,080	3,120	4,000	4,800	3,850	53,720
Other/Unknown	7,750	13,160	6,640	7,490	5,410	6,080	5,380	5,890	4,960	5,020	67,780
Total	308,040	424,440	526,260	684,750	545,710	318,500	319,870	276,240	312,970	334,230	4,051,010

### Note

(\*) Countries included are Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom (cases).

(1) Including former Yugoslavia; (2) Including former USSR; United Kingdom: cases

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**Table VI.8. Recognition of asylum-seekers under the 1951 Convention and those granted humanitarian status by origin, Europe, 1989-1998**

Origin	AUS	BEL	DEN	FIN	FRA	GFR	GRE	ITA	NET	NOR	POR	SPA	SWE	SWI	GBR	TOT
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1,371	444	18,189	29	932	356	-	8	23,805	66	3	735	43,048	7,482	65	96,533
Iraq	1,820	192	6,144	411	1,484	30,987	933	614	22,424	1,195	5	278	18,654	1,101	6,025	92,267
Yugoslavia, Federal Rep. of (1)	705	811	594	1,926	4,473	20,459	27	175	6,762	1,140	1	17	26,459	4,192	6,935	74,676
Turkey	530	1,744	58	128	9,833	38,815	807	384	2,025	49	-	18	2,976	5,632	5,855	68,854
Somalia	43	210	8,292	2,287	617	1,215	6	238	17,527	2,808	-	122	7,551	1,911	19,156	61,983
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	1,561	420	1,305	175	1,528	21,593	529	319	9,657	684	7	122	11,390	429	2,935	52,654
Sri Lanka	16	22	749	39	17,409	9,005	48	25	1,999	1,904	18	11	532	3,824	9,195	44,796
Afghanistan	322	182	953	36	899	15,427	7	22	15,924	49	-	87	1,417	661	3,450	39,436
Ethiopia	50	93	90	110	243	1,814	211	163	2,071	337	1	59	4,949	181	4,775	15,147
Viet Nam	350	412	189	7	11,499	562	2	16	250	2	-	49	738	773	5	14,854
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	114	1,757	32	136	4,123	1,507	12	135	1,582	26	9	108	228	200	775	10,744
Romania	4,202	371	142	111	2,166	431	131	300	253	8	2	13	1,784	78	80	10,072
Lebanon	57	124	483	23	109	411	120	27	354	198	-	2	5,056	59	1,635	8,658
Syrian Arab Rep.	91	105	158	21	209	2,832	79	22	1,555	55	-	10	3,006	69	5	8,217
Stateless	36	10	522	76	243	660	5	6	571	358	-	25	4,786	22	-	7,320
Cambodia	178	33	10	-	6,815	25	1	-	26	-	-	2	-	106	-	7,196
Chile	15	162	7	-	504	103	-	-	59	32	-	1	5,986	12	-	6,881
Russian Federation (2)	180	41	205	126	818	1,204	7	6	1,274	29	1	58	1,656	16	215	5,836
Sudan	20	21	57	17	212	574	23	133	1,953	147	4	24	144	55	2,000	5,384
Albania	101	97	3	-	749	2,527	28	1,483	146	7	1	28	45	43	-	5,258
Lao People's Dem Rep.	22	20	-	-	4,575	106	-	-	-	9	-	-	199	24	-	4,955
Angola	15	295	4	70	1,269	364	-	36	1,404	6	59	135	123	751	340	4,871
China	43	85	207	22	478	1,158	13	9	1,866	22	2	11	423	103	355	4,797
Pakistan	39	135	10	16	128	2,992	-	32	181	20	1	18	91	196	820	4,679

Uganda	1	11	125	13	24	19	-	-	34	44	-	-	712	3	3,620	4,606
Africa	474	5,372	8,971	2,762	12,424	9,271	297	1,023	27,794	3,583	222	1,564	15,003	3,784	33,951	126,495
Asia	5,072	3,632	10,603	950	55,761	125,784	2,544	1,502	58,289	4,256	39	900	46,031	13,093	32,505	360,961
Europe	7,565	1,985	19,408	2,251	9,980	26,545	370	2,013	34,015	1,500	14	870	79,412	11,929	7,450	205,307
Latin America and Car.	45	378	40	25	3,635	547	2	33	529	134	2	1,011	9,759	147	485	16,772
Other/Unkown	76	19	4,513	87	380	1,031	57	39	4,877	358	59	26	7,861	1,136	570	21,089
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,232</b>	<b>11,386</b>	<b>43,535</b>	<b>6,075</b>	<b>82,180</b>	<b>163,178</b>	<b>3,270</b>	<b>4,610</b>	<b>125,504</b>	<b>9,831</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>4,371</b>	<b>158,066</b>	<b>30,089</b>	<b>74,961</b>	<b>730,624</b>

#### Notes

(1) Including former Yugoslavia.

(2) Including former USSR.

See also footnotes [Table V.2](#) and [V.3](#). See [Table VI.1](#) for abbreviations used for asylum countries.

For some asylum countries, the totals in this table differ from the totals in table V.2 and V.3 due to unavailability of data.